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HIMACHAL PRADESH ADMINISTRATION

CO-OPERATIVE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Simla-4, the 13th July, 1957

No. Apptt. 1-626/57.—In consultation with the Union Public Service Commission, the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh, is pleased to appoint Lieutenant Col. Partap Chandra, A. M. C., as Director of Health Services and Inspector General of Prisons, Himachal Pradesh Administration, in the scale of Rs. 1000-50-1500, *vice* Dr. Devi Chand Gupta, with effect from the 10th July, 1957, forenoon.

2. He will be on probation for a period of two years with effect from the said date.

K. N. CHANNA, I.A.S.,
Chief Secretary.

No. CS. 4-27/57.—In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Section 67 2 (a) and (b) of the Himachal Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act (Act No. 13 of 1956) 1956, the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh has been pleased to remit the stamp duty in respect of any instrument executed by, or on behalf of, or in favour of a society or by an officer or on behalf of a member thereof and relating to the business of such societies in cases where, but for such remission, the executor would be liable to pay the stamp duty chargeable under any law for the time being in force in respect of such instrument; and any fee payable by a society under any law for the time being in force for the registration of documents by or on behalf of any society for the time being registered or deemed to be registered under that act.

By order,

P. C. SAXENA, I.A.S.,
Secretary.

ELECTION DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATIONS

Simla-4, the 5th July, 1957

No. EL. 8-93/57.—In exercise of the powers vested in him under section 240 and section 258 of the Punjab Municipal Act, 1911, as applied to Himachal Pradesh, the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh, is pleased to make the following rules, namely:—

RULES

PART I

1. **Short title.**—(1) These rules may be called the Municipal Election Rules, 1957.

(2) They shall come into force for the purposes of the next general elections to Municipal Committees and thenceforth when the Municipal Election Rules, 1930, as applied to Himachal Pradesh as subsequently amended will cease to operate.

2. **Definitions.**—In these rules unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or the context—

(a) "Constituency" means a class or ward, for the representation of which a member or members is or are to be or has or have been elected under these rules.

(aa) "Gazetted Officer" means a Government servant belonging to any All-India Service or State Service or any other Government servant holding a post which may have been declared by competent authority to be a gazetted post.

(b) "Newly-constituted Committee" means a committee of which the members have been elected at a general election, or appointed about the time of a general election, but have not yet taken their seats.

(c) "Oath of allegiance" means the oath or affirmation of allegiance prescribed by section 24 of the Act.

(d) "Roll" means the roll of persons entitled to vote at an election under these rules.

(e) "The Act" means the Punjab Municipal Act, 1911, as applied to Himachal Pradesh.

(f) "Treasury" means a treasury or sub-treasury of Himachal Pradesh Administration or a bank to which the business of such treasury or sub-treasury has been made over.

(g) "Scheduled Castes" means such castes, races or tribes or parts or groups within such castes, races or tribes as have been specified under Article 341 of the Constitution of India to be Scheduled Castes.

(h) "Agent" means any person appointed in writing by a candidate at an election to be agent for the purposes of these rules, with the acceptance in writing by such person of the office of such agent.

3. **General elections to be held on dates fixed by the Deputy Commissioner.**—(1) The Deputy Commissioner shall frame a programme for general elections herein-after referred to as the "election programme" of the Municipal Committee.

(2) The election programme shall specify the date or dates on, by or within which—

- (i) the nomination papers shall be presented;
- (ii) the nomination papers shall be scrutinized;
- (iii) a candidate may withdraw his candidature;
- (iv) the list of valid nomination papers shall be posted;
- (v) application for the revision of the orders of the authority scrutinizing the nomination papers may be made to the Deputy Commissioner;
- (vi) the revision application shall be decided;
- (vii) the list of polling stations shall be posted;
- (viii) the polling shall be held;
- (ix) the ballot-papers shall be counted; and
- (x) the result of election shall be declared.

(3) The election programme shall be published not less than ten days before the first of the dates specified in the election programme, by posting a copy at the office of the Deputy Commissioner; at the office concerned of the Municipal Committee; and at other conspicuous places in the said Municipality as may be determined by the Deputy Commissioner in this behalf.

(4) The Administrator or the Deputy Commissioner may by an order amend, vary or modify the election pro-

gramme at any time:

Provided that, unless the Administrator otherwise directs, on such order shall be deemed to invalidate any proceedings taken before the date of the order.

4. **Term of office of members.**—Subject to the provisions of the Act, the term of office of a member of a committee shall be three years from the date of taking his seat or until the date of the meeting appointed under the provision of rule 5 for the administration of the oath of allegiance to members of a newly-constituted committee whichever period is less.

5. **Convening by Deputy Commissioner of first meeting of newly constituted committee and of meetings in other cases.**—(1) The Deputy Commissioner or any gazetted officer appointed by him in this behalf shall, as soon as possible after the notification of the appointment and election of the members of such Committee, fix at forty-eight hour's notice, a date for the first meeting of a newly-constituted committee, stating in such notice that at such meeting the oath of allegiance will be administered to the members present, and that the President and Vice-President or Vice-Presidents will be elected, the aforementioned officer presiding over such meeting until after the election of the President and of Vice-President; and such meeting shall be deemed to be a validly convened meeting of the committee notwithstanding anything contained in any by-laws made under the provisions of section 31 of the Act, and the administration of the oath of allegiance and the election of the Presidents and Vice-Presidents shall be recorded as part of the proceedings in the minutes of the meeting.

(2) The oath of allegiance shall be administered to any member of a newly-constituted committee who was not present at the meeting convened under the provisions of sub-rule (1) or to a member elected or appointed to fill a casual vacancy by the Chairman of the meeting at which such member appears to take such oath.

(3) The Deputy Commissioner may in the absence or illness both of the President and the Vice-President or Vice-Presidents or if the offices of President or Vice-Presidents are vacant, convene a meeting of the Committee and the members present thereat shall elect a member to be Chairman of the meeting and may transact any business at such meeting, which shall be deemed to be a validly convened meeting of the Committee notwithstanding anything contained in any by-laws made under the provisions of section 31 of the Act.

6. **Qualifications of voters.**—(a) Subject to the provisions of rule 8, no person shall be entitled to vote unless the name of such person is included in the electoral rolls for the Parliament in relation to the constituency concerned.

(b) If any doubt arises as to whether or not a person is entitled to vote in a constituency, the decision of the Administrator or an officer appointed by him in this behalf shall be final.

7. **Disqualifications for membership.**—No person shall be eligible for election as and for being a member of a Municipal Committee, who—

- (a) is not a qualified voter for any constituency of the Municipal Committee under rule 6, and has not attained the age of 25 years; or
- (b) in the case of a seat reserved for the Scheduled Castes is not a member of any of the Scheduled Castes in relation to the State of Himachal Pradesh; or
- (c) is under contract for work to be done for, or goods to be supplied to, the Municipal Committee; or
- (d) receives any remuneration out of the Municipal Committee fund for services rendered to the Municipal Committee; or
- (e) has, within five years from the date fixed for the nomination of candidates under the provision of rule 111 been prescribed from Government employment; or
- (f) has at any time within five years from the date specified for the nomination of candidates under the provisions of rule 111 been serving a sentence of imprisonment for not less than two years; or
- (g) is an undischarged insolvent; or

(h) is a whole-time salaried official in the service of any Municipal Committee, Notified Area Committee, Town Committee or Cantonment Board; or holds any office of profit under the Government of India or the Government of any State other than an office declared by law not to disqualify its holder for being chosen as and for being a member of the Territorial Council or the Parliament; or

(i) who is disqualified for such membership as a result of his election having been set aside under these rules; or

(j) is disqualified for membership of any Municipal, Town or Notified Area Committee or Cantonment Board, as a result of removal from such board or committee or as a result of his election for membership of such board or committee having been declared void for corrupt practices; or

(k) has at any time within five years from the date fixed for the nomination of candidates under the provisions of rule 11 been convicted of an offence under section 171-E or 171-F of the Indian Penal Code, or having been disqualified from exercising any electoral right for a period of not less than five years in connection with an election of the Parliament is, on the said date of nomination, still subject to the disqualification:

Provided that the Administrator may exempt any person or class of persons from the disqualification contained in clauses (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (i) or (j) except in case of disqualification as the result of removal from membership of any Municipal or Town or Notified Area Committee or Cantonment Board, of this sub-rule:

Provided further that nothing contained in (d) shall debar a person, who receives as President, salary sanctioned by the Administrator under section 53 of the Act from standing for election or re-election as a member of the Committee.

8. No person shall vote in more than one constituency or stand for election in more than one local authority, and in case of his voting or standing otherwise his votes or candidatures, as the case may be, shall be void.

Explanation.—In this rule the expression 'local authority' shall mean a Municipal Committee, a Town Committee and a Notified Area Committee.

9. **Rolls.**—(1) The roll of each constituency of a Municipality shall be the finally published electoral roll for the Parliamentary relation to the said constituency operative at the time when the Deputy Commissioner frames election programme under rule 3 unless otherwise directed by notification by the Administrator in this behalf.

(2) The Deputy Commissioner shall split up the Parliamentary Rolls into several parts for the purpose of constituting them into the rolls for the Municipal Committee Constituencies.

10. **Notification of symbols.**—(1) The Administrator shall by notification in the official Gazette publish a list of symbols and may in like manner add to or vary such list.

(2) In each constituency every nomination paper delivered under rule 12 shall also be accompanied by a declaration in writing specifying the particular symbol which the candidate has chosen for his first preference, out of the list of symbols for the time being in force under sub-rule (1) and also specifying two other symbols out of that list which he has chosen for his second and third preferences respectively:

Provided that the choice to be made by a candidate under this sub-rule shall be subject to such restrictions as the Administrator may think fit to impose in that behalf.

11. **Dates to be fixed for nominations of candidates and scrutiny of nominations.**—The Deputy Commissioner shall by notices posted at his office and at the office of the Committee, and at such other places as the Deputy Commissioner may determine—

(1) invite nomination papers of candidates for election;

(2) fix the date, time and place where and when the nomination papers shall be submitted;

(3) specify the authority to whom nomination papers

shall be submitted; and

(4) fix the date and time and place for the scrutiny of nomination papers of candidates.

Explanation. The date fixed under sub-rules (3) and (4) shall be the same as specified under rule 3 in this behalf.

12. **Nomination of candidates.**—(1) Any person not ineligible for membership of the Committee under the provisions of rule 7 or of any other rules or of the Act or of any other Act may be nominated as a candidate for election, provided that on or before the date specified for the nomination of candidates under the provisions of rule 11, between the hours of eleven o'clock of the forenoon and three o'clock of the afternoon or such other hours as the Deputy Commissioner may fix to suit local requirements he shall either in person or by his proposer or seconder or by a duly authorized agent appointed by authority in writing, signed by him and, unless such agent is a legal practitioner, verified by a magistrate, sub-registrar of the registration department, lambardar or member of a local authority, deliver to the authority specified under rule 11 (3) or if it is absent, to any magistrate of the first class at such headquarters, a nomination paper completed in Form I appended to these rules and subscribed by the candidate himself to these rules and subscribed by the candidate himself as assenting to the nomination and by two persons as proposer and seconder whose names are included in the roll of the constituency concerned.

(2) In a constituency where a seat is reserved for the Scheduled Castes, no candidate shall be deemed to be qualified to be chosen to fill that seat unless his nomination paper is accompanied by a declaration verified by any of the authorities mentioned in sub-rule (1) that the candidate is a member of the scheduled castes for which the seat has been so reserved and the declaration specifies the particular caste of which the candidate is a member.

(3) No person shall subscribe as proposer or seconder a number of nomination papers greater than the number of members to be elected to represent the constituency in question, and if a person has subscribed, whether as proposer or seconder, a larger number of nomination papers than there are vacancies to be filled, only those of the papers so subscribed which have been first received up to the number of such vacancies shall be deemed to be valid.

(4) On the presentation of a nomination paper, the Deputy Commissioner shall satisfy himself that the names and electoral roll numbers of the candidate and his proposer and seconder as entered in nomination paper are the same as those entered in the electoral rolls:

Provided that the Deputy Commissioner may—

(a) permit any clerical error in the nomination paper in regard to the said names or numbers to be corrected in order to bring them in conformity with the corresponding entries in the electoral rolls, and

(b) where necessary, direct that any clerical or printing error in the said entries shall be overlooked.

13. **Deposits to be made by candidates.**—(1) Each candidate nominated under the provisions of rule 12 shall at or before the time of the delivery of his nomination paper deposit or cause to be deposited with the Deputy Commissioner or other officer to whom the nomination paper has been delivered under the provisions of sub-rule (1) of rule 12 or in the treasury or a sub-treasury the sum of one hundred rupees, if he is a candidate for election in a Municipality of the first class or of fifty rupees if he is a candidate for election in a Municipality of the second class, in cash or in Government Promissory Notes of equal value at the market rate of the day; and the nomination paper of a candidate shall not be deemed to have been duly presented unless such deposit has been made, provided that not more than one such deposit need be made by any candidate in respect of his candidature for any one constituency:

Provided that where the candidate is a member of the Scheduled Castes the amount to be deposited by him or on his behalf shall be rupees fifty or rupees twenty five accordingly as he is a candidate for election in a first or second class Municipality.

(2) If a candidate by whom or on whose behalf the deposit referred to in sub-rule (1) has been made, withdraws his candidature within the time specified in rule 14 or if the nomination of any such candidate is refused, the deposit shall be returned to the person by whom it was made, and if any candidate dies before the commencement of the poll, any such deposit, if made by him, shall be returned to his legal representative or, if not made by the candidate, shall be returned to the person by whom it was made.

(3) If a candidate by whom or on whose behalf the deposit referred to in sub-rule (1) has been made is not elected, and the number of votes polled by him does not exceed one-eighth of the total number of votes polled or, in the case of a constituency returning more than one member, one-eighth of the total number of votes polled divided by the total number of members to be elected, the deposit shall be forfeited to the Himachal Pradesh Administration.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this sub-rule the number of votes polled shall be deemed to be the number of ballot-papers other than rejected ballot-papers counted.

(4) If a candidate by whom or on whose behalf the deposit referred to in sub-rule (1) has been made is elected or is not elected the deposit shall, if it is not forfeited under sub-rule (3), be returned to the candidate or to the person, who has made the deposit in his behalf, as the case may be, as soon as may be, after the publication of the result of the election in the Gazette.

14. Withdrawal of candidature.—Any candidate may withdraw his candidature by notice in writing subscribed by him and delivered to the Deputy Commissioner or other person authorised by the Deputy Commissioner to receive such notices, before three o'clock of the afternoon or such other hours as the Deputy Commissioner may fix to suit local requirements on the date specified under rule 3 in this behalf, and no person who has thus withdrawn his candidature shall be allowed to cancel his withdrawal or to be renominated as a candidate for the same election in the same constituency.

15. List of nominations to be posted.—The Deputy Commissioner shall on the date specified under rule 3 in this behalf post at his office and at the municipal office lists of all the candidates whose nomination papers have been presented under rule 12 together with descriptions, similar to those contained in the nomination papers, of the candidates and of the persons who have subscribed the nomination papers as proposers or seconds.

16. Candidates, etc., to be allowed to examine nomination papers.—On the date fixed for the scrutiny of nominations under the provisions of rule 11 the candidates, one proposer and one seconder of each candidate and one other person for each candidate duly authorised in writing by such candidate and no other person may attend at such time and place as the Deputy Commissioner may appoint and all reasonable facilities shall be given to them for examining the nomination papers of all candidates whose names are included in the list of candidates posted under the provisions of rule 15.

17. Scrutiny of nomination and decision of objections.—(1) On the date fixed for scrutiny of nominations under the provisions of rule 11, after facilities have been given for the examination of nomination papers under the provisions of rule 16 the authority specified under rule 11 shall examine the nomination papers of all candidates whose names are included in the list of candidates posted under the provisions of rule 15, and shall decide all objections made to any nomination, and shall, either on such objections or on his own motion after such summary enquiry, if any, as he may deem necessary, refuse any nomination if he is satisfied.

(a) that the candidate was on the date fixed for the nomination of candidates ineligible for election under the provisions of rule 7 or of any other rules or of the Act or of any other Act and had not before that date been exempted by the Administrator from any disqualification imposed upon him;

(b) that a proposer or seconder was not qualified to subscribe the nomination paper under the provi-

sions of rule 12;

- (c) that there has been any failure to comply with any of the provisions of rule 12 or rule 13;
- (d) that the candidate or any proposer or seconder is not identical with the person whose number on the roll is given in the nomination paper as the number of such candidate, proposer or seconder, as the case may be;
- (e) that the signature of any candidate or of any proposer or seconder is not genuine or has been obtained by force or by fraud:

Provided that nothing contained in clause (b), (c) or (e) of this sub-rule shall be deemed to authorise the refusal of the nomination of any candidate on the ground of any irregularity in respect of a nomination paper if the candidate has been duly nominated by means of another nomination paper, in respect of which no irregularity has been committed:

Provided further that no nomination shall be refused under clause (d) of this sub-rule if a summary enquiry is sufficient to establish the identity of the candidate, proposer and seconder with the persons who subscribed the nomination paper as such respectively.

(2) The authority mentioned in sub-rule (1) for the scrutiny of nomination papers shall endorse on each nomination paper his decisions accepting or rejecting it, and if he rejects it, he shall record in writing a brief statement of his reasons for so rejecting it.

(3) Any person aggrieved by any order passed by an authority under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (2) may within the date specified under rule 3 in this behalf present in person or by counsel or by a duly authorised agent appointed by authority in writing signed by him and verified by a magistrate, sub-registrar of the registration department, lambardar or a member of a local authority, to the Deputy Commissioner an application for revision of such order.

(4) When any application for revision of an order has been submitted to the Deputy Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner, may, after hearing the applicant or his counsel, confirm such order, or, after sending by registered post notices to the candidates for election from the constituency concerned intimating the date on which such application will be heard, may on such date, after hearing any representation which the applicant and any other such candidate as may appear, may make, confirm such order or may set it aside and pass such other order as he may deem fit.

18. Assignment of symbols to candidates.—(1) If in any constituency the number of validly nominated candidates exceeds the number of seats to be filled, the Deputy Commissioner shall before preparing a list of valid nominations under rule 19 consider the choice as respects symbols expressed by candidates in the declarations referred to in sub-rule (2) of rule 10 delivered by them along with their nomination papers, and shall subject to any general or special directions issued in this behalf by the Administrator assign a different symbol to each candidate in conformity as far as practicable with his choice. If more candidates than one indicate their preferences for the same symbol, the Deputy Commissioner shall decide by lot to which of those candidates the symbol will be assigned. The decision of the Deputy Commissioner in assigning any symbol to a candidate under this rule shall be final.

(2) In every case where a symbol has been assigned to a candidate under sub-rule (1), such candidate or his agent shall forthwith be informed of the symbol so assigned and be supplied with a specimen thereof by the Deputy Commissioner.

19. List of valid nominations to be posted up.—(1) On completion of the scrutiny of nominations and after the expiry of the period within which candidatures may be withdrawn under the provisions of rule 14, the Deputy Commissioner shall forthwith prepare lists of valid nominations and cause them to be posted up at some conspicuous place in his office and at the Municipal office.

(2) The list to be posted under sub-rule (1) shall contain the names in alphabetical order and addresses of the validly nominated candidates as given in the nomination papers and indicate the symbols assigned to each candidate.

and in the case of an election in a constituency where the seats to be filled include one or more seats reserved for the Scheduled Castes, the list shall also indicate the names of candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes by means of suitable distinguishing marks.

20. Death of a candidate before the poll.—If a candidate dies before the poll and after the date fixed for the nomination of candidates and his nomination is or has been accepted as valid by the authority specified under rule 11 for the scrutiny of nomination papers all proceedings with reference to the election of a member in the constituency or constituencies in which he was a candidate shall be commenced a new in all respects as if for a fresh election, provided that no fresh nomination shall be necessary in the case of a candidate whose name is entered on a list of valid nominations posted under the provisions of rule 19.

21. Candidates deemed to be elected if their number is equal to or less than the number of vacancies.—Subject to the provisions of rule 20, if the number of candidates validly nominated in any constituency is equal to or less than the number of members to be elected for such constituency, then such candidates shall be deemed to have been elected and if the number of such candidates is less than the number of members to be elected, the Deputy Commissioner shall frame another programme under rule 3 for the election of remaining members, and if the number of candidates validly nominated for such further election is less than the number of members to be elected, the Deputy Commissioner shall report the matter to the Administrator with a view to action being taken under clause (b) of section 14 of the Act.

22. Poll to be taken if number of candidates is greater than number of vacancies.—If the number of candidates validly nominated in any constituency is greater than the number of members to be elected for such constituency, a poll shall be taken on the date or dates specified under rule 3 in this behalf for the election.

23. List of polling stations to be published and polling officers to be appointed.—(1) The Deputy Commissioner shall select such number of polling stations as he may deem necessary, and shall on the date specified under rule 3 in this behalf post at his office and at the office of the committee a list showing the polling stations so selected, the polling area for which each such station has been selected and the hours during which each such station shall remain open for the recording of votes, and no person shall be permitted to record his vote except at the polling station of the area to which according to the roll he belongs and within the period for which the polling station remains open.

(2) The Deputy Commissioner shall appoint a presiding officer and polling officers for each polling station and such other persons (hereinafter referred to as polling assistants) to assist the presiding officer as he may deem necessary, and if before or at the time of the poll the presiding officer or the polling officer or polling assistant refuses to act or becomes incapable of acting as such, the Deputy Commissioner shall appoint another person to act as presiding officer or polling officer or polling assistant, as the case may be, and the Deputy Commissioner may at any time, if he thinks fit, appoint any other person so to act in place of any person previously appointed.

(3) The presiding officer shall, in addition to performing any other duties imposed upon him by these rules be in general charge of all arrangements at the polling station and may issue orders as to the manner in which persons shall be admitted to the polling station and generally for the preservation of peace and order at or in the vicinity of the polling station.

24. Material to be supplied at polling stations.—(1) The Administrator may direct that before any ballot paper is delivered to a voter at a polling station it shall be marked with such official mark as may be specified by the Administrator in this behalf and the official mark so specified shall be kept secret.

(2) The Deputy Commissioner shall provide at each polling station as many ballot-boxes, ballot-papers as may be necessary, instruments for stamping the official mark on the ballot-papers when any direction in this

behalf has been issued by the Administrator and copies of the roll or such part thereof as contains the names of the electors entitled to vote at such station.

25. The ballot-box.—(1) There shall be separate ballot-box for each one of the candidates and such ballot-boxes shall be so placed in the polling compartment that where an elector inserts a ballot-paper in any box no other person can see how he has voted. The symbol assigned to each candidate under sub-rule (2) of rule 18 shall be printed on labels which shall be posted both inside and outside a ballot-box and such ballot-box shall then be deemed to have been allotted to the same candidate to whom the symbol in question has been allotted. Each ballot-box or any of its component parts or attachments shall also be marked with such other distinguishing mark or marks as the Deputy Commissioner may direct.

(2) Every ballot-box shall be marked with the name or number of the polling station at which it is to be used and shall be so constructed that ballot-papers can be introduced therein but cannot be withdrawn without the box being unlocked and the seal being broken.

(3) Outside and inside each polling station there shall be displayed prominently—

- (a) a notice specifying the polling area the electors of which are entitled to vote at the polling station or where the polling station has more than one polling booth, at each one of such booths or the description of the electors allotted to any such booth; and
- (b) another notice giving the name of each candidate in the same language or languages and in the same order in which the names of such candidates appear in the list of validly nominated candidates at the election published under rule 19 together with the description of the symbol which has been assigned to each such candidate under sub-rule (2) of rule 18.

26. Procedure before commencement of the poll.—(1) The presiding officer at each polling station shall immediately before the commencement of the poll allow inspection of each ballot-box to be used at the poll to the candidates, their agents who may be present at such station, and demonstrate to them and to all other persons present that it is empty and that labels have been affixed both inside and outside, the box and the distinguishing mark or marks have been made in the box or in any of its component parts, or attachments in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (1) of rule 25.

(2) Where it is necessary to use a paper seal for securing the ballot-box, the presiding officer shall thereafter fix in the space meant therefor in each such box a paper seal provided for the purpose. He shall also affix on such paper seal his own signature or seal and obtain thereon the signatures or seals of such candidates or of such election or polling agents of the candidates as may be present and may desire to affix such signatures or seals. He shall then secure and seal each box in their presence in such manner that the slit in the box for insertion of ballot-papers therein remains open.

(3) Where it is not necessary to use a paper seal for securing a ballot-box, the presiding officer shall after complying with the provisions of sub-rule (1) secure and seal the box in such manner that the slit in the box for insertion of ballot-papers therein remains open and shall also allow the candidates or their agents who may be present to affix their own seals on the space in the box meant therefor, if they so desire.

(4) The paper seal or the other seals used in a ballot-box shall be affixed in such manner that it shall not be possible to open the box again without breaking such paper seal or other seals, or any thread on which the other seals have been affixed. After all the ballot-boxes required to be used at the polling have been secured and sealed, they shall be placed in the polling compartment side by side in the same order in which the names of the candidates to whom such boxes have been allotted appear in the list of validly nominated candidates at the election published under rule 19 and in such manner that the front vertical side of each of the boxes bears a symbol assigned to the candidate to whom such box has been allotted and their agents shall be entitled to see before the commencement of the poll that the boxes are so placed in the polling

compartment. No other receptacle or box besides the ballot-boxes allotted to the candidates shall be kept inside the polling compartment during polling.

27. Voting to be in person and not by proxy.—Voting shall be by ballot and every person wishing to record his vote shall do so in person and not by proxy, by means of a ballot-paper which shall contain a serial number and such official mark, if any, as may be specified under rule 24.

28. Questions to be put to electors.—At any time before a ballot-paper is delivered to an elector, the presiding officer or a polling assistant may of his own accord if he has reason to doubt the identity of the elector or his right to vote at the polling station, and shall, if so required by a candidate or his agent, put to the elector the following questions:—

- (a) Are you the person enrolled as follows (reading the whole entry relating to the elector from the roll)?
- (b) Have you already voted at the present election?
- (c) Such other questions as he may deem fit or necessary; and the elector shall not be supplied with a ballot-paper unless he answers the first question in the affirmative and the second question in the negative or he refuses to answer any other question put to him in pursuance of this rule.

29. Special procedure for preventing personation of electors.—(1) Subject to the other provisions of this rule, every elector who applies for a ballot-paper or ballot-papers for the purpose of voting at a polling station shall, before receiving such ballot-paper or papers, allow—

- (a) the inspection of his left fore-finger to the presiding officer or any polling officer; and
- (b) an indelible ink mark to be put on his left fore-finger.

(2) If any such elector—

- (a) refuses to allow such inspection of his left-finger, or
- (b) persists in doing any act with a view to remove such mark after it has been put,

he shall not be entitled to be supplied with any ballot-paper or to record his vote at the election.

(3) No person who already has a mark on his left fore-finger at the time he enters the polling station shall be supplied any ballot-paper, and if any such person applies for a ballot-paper or ballot-papers he shall be liable to be arrested and prosecuted for personation.

(4) Any reference in this rule or in rule 30 to the left fore-finger of an elector shall, in the case where the elector has his left fore-finger missing, be construed as a reference to any other finger of his left hand, and shall, in the case where all the fingers of his left hand are missing, be construed as a reference to the fore-finger or any other finger of right hand, and shall, in the case where all his fingers of both the hands are missing, be construed as a reference to such extremity of his left or right arm as he possesses.

30. Procedure before recording of votes.—(1) The elector on entering the polling station shall first allow his left fore-finger to be inspected by a polling officer for the purpose of ascertaining if he already has any mark of indelible ink on that finger. If there is no such mark, the polling officer in charge of the electoral roll shall ascertain the elector's name and address and such other particulars as appear on the roll and, after having checked these by reference to the roll, shall call out the number, name and description of the elector according to the entry in the roll.

(2) On the elector's name being called out the elector shall approach the polling officer in charge of the ballot-papers who shall then cause the left fore-finger of the elector to be marked with indelible ink and shall thereafter deliver a ballot-paper, or the requisite number of ballot-papers to the elector. Before delivering the ballot-paper or papers the polling officer shall, where a direction has been issued in this behalf under sub-rule (1) of rule 24, stamp the ballot-paper or papers with such official mark as may have been specified under that rule. Such polling officer shall at the time of delivery of the ballot-paper or papers place against the serial number of the elector in the electoral roll a mark to denote that the elector has received a ballot-paper or papers and shall also keep a record of the serial number or numbers of

the ballot-paper or papers supplied to the elector in such manner as the presiding officer may, subject to any general or special instructions issued in that behalf by the Administrator direct.

(3) In deciding the right of a person to obtain a ballot-paper under this rule, the presiding officer at any polling station may interpret an entry in the electoral rolls so as to overlook merely clerical or printing error provided that he is satisfied that such person is identical with the elector to whom such entry relates.

31. Identification of electors.—The presiding officer may employ at the polling station such persons as he thinks fit to assist him or any polling officer in identifying the electors.

32. Manner of recording of votes after the receipt of ballot-paper.—(1) In two-member constituencies, where one seat is reserved for a member of the scheduled caste, each elector shall have two votes, but no elector shall give more than one vote to any one candidate.

(2) If an elector gives more than one vote to any one candidate in contravention of the provision of sub-rule (1), then at the time of counting of votes not more than one of the votes given by him to such candidate shall be taken into account and the other vote given by him to such candidate shall be rejected as void.

(3) On receiving the ballot-paper or papers the elector shall forthwith proceed into the polling compartment and shall without undue delay put his ballot-paper or papers through the slit provided for the purpose into the ballot-box or boxes of the candidate or candidates for whom he desires to vote.

(4) Every elector shall vote without undue delay and shall quit the polling station as soon as he has cast his vote. No elector shall remain in a polling compartment longer than is reasonably necessary for casting his vote.

(5) The presiding officer may, wherever there is in his opinion sufficient cause, enter the polling compartment while a poll is proceeding and may take such steps as may be necessary to ensure that the ballot-boxes in use remain ready for the reception of ballot-papers and are not tampered or interfered with in any way by any elector or any other person. If the presiding officer has reason to suspect that any elector who has entered a polling compartment is tampering or otherwise interfering with any ballot-box or if such elector has remained inside the polling compartment for an unduly long period, the presiding officer shall enter such polling compartment and take such steps as may be necessary to ensure the smooth and prompt progress of the poll.

33. Recording of votes of infirm electors.—If owing to blindness or other infirmity an elector is unable to read the symbol on a ballot-box or is physically incapable of putting the ballot-paper into a ballot-box, the presiding officer shall enter the polling compartment, with such elector, ascertain from the elector the candidate or candidates in whose favour he desires to vote and shall put the ballot-paper or papers in the ballot-box or boxes of such candidates in accordance with the wishes of such elector. The presiding officer shall have this done with as much secrecy as is feasible and shall keep a brief record of each such instance without indicating the manner in which the votes have been cast.

34. Tendered votes.—If a person representing himself to be a particular elector named on the roll applies for a ballot-paper after another person has voted as such elector, the applicant shall, after duly answering such questions as the presiding officer may ask, be entitled to cast a ballot-paper in the same manner as any other voter; such ballot-paper (hereinafter referred to as a tendered ballot-paper) shall be in Form II and instead of being put into the ballot-box, shall be given to the polling officer and endorsed by him with the name of the voter and his number on the roll and the name of the electoral area to which the roll relates and shall be set aside in a separate packet and shall not be counted; the name of the voter and his number in the roll and the name or number of the polling station to which the roll relates shall be entered in a list in Form III which shall bear the heading "Tendered Votes List"; the person tendering such ballot-paper shall sign his name and address thereon or affix his thumb-impression against the entry in the list, and if

he affixes his thumb-impression the presiding officer shall sign his name across such impression.

35. Challenged votes.—(1) If any candidate or his agent declares and undertakes to prove, that any person by applying for a ballot-paper has committed the offence of personation, the presiding officer may require such person to state his name and address and shall then enter such name and address in the list of challenged votes in Form IV and shall require such person to sign such entry or, if he is unable to write, to affix his thumb-impression thereto and the presiding officer shall sign his name across such impression and may further require such person to produce evidence of identification:

Provided that no action shall be taken by the presiding officer under this sub-rule unless a sum of ten rupees has been deposited in cash with the presiding officer by the candidate or such agent for each challenge he makes.

(2) If the person so challenged refuses to comply with such requisition he shall not be permitted to vote. But if such person does so comply and on being questioned in the manner provided in rule 28 answers the first question in the affirmative and the second question in the negative and replies satisfactorily to any other question put to him in pursuance of that rule, and if having been required to produce evidence of identification he produces evidence which the presiding officer considers satisfactory he shall be allowed to vote after he has been informed of the penalty for personation.

(3) If the presiding officer after such inquiry on the spot as he thinks necessary, is of opinion that the challenge made by the candidate or his agent under sub-rule (1) is frivolous and has not been made in good faith, he shall direct the deposit made under sub-rule (1) to be forfeited to Himachal Pradesh Administration and his order in this respect shall be final.

(4) If the deposit made under sub-rule (1) is not forfeited under sub-rule (3), it shall be returned to the person by whom it was made after the close of the poll on the day on which it is made.

(5) The presiding officer shall in every case, whether or not the person challenged is allowed to vote, make a note of the circumstances in the list of Challenged Votes.

36. Spoilt ballot-papers.—A voter who has inadvertently dealt with his ballot-paper in such a manner that it cannot conveniently be used as a ballot-paper may, after delivering such ballot-paper to the presiding officer and satisfying him of such inadvertence, obtain another ballot-paper in place of the spoilt paper, and the latter shall be marked as cancelled.

37. Return of ballot-paper by an elector.—(1) If an elector after obtaining any ballot-paper for the purpose of recording his vote decides not to use the same, he shall return the ballot-paper to the presiding officer, and the ballot-paper so returned shall then be marked as "Cancelled—returned" and kept in a separate envelope set apart for the purpose and a record shall be kept by the presiding officer of all such ballot-papers.

(2) If any ballot-paper which has been issued to any elector for the purpose of recording his vote has not been put into the ballot-box but has been left by the elector at the polling station it shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (1) as if it had been returned to the presiding officer.

38. Closing of polling station.—(1) The presiding officer shall on each day on which polling is to take place close the polling station at the hour appointed under the provisions of sub-rule (1) of rule 23 and no elector shall be admitted thereto after that hour, but all electors present at the place fixed for the poll before it is so closed shall be entitled to have their votes recorded:

Provided that if for any reason it was not possible to open the polling station at the hour appointed under the provisions of sub-rule (1) of rule 23, or if by reason of disorder at the polling station, or for any other polling for a certain time, the presiding officer shall keep the polling station open for a further period equal to the period that elapsed between the hour appointed for the opening of the polling station and the hour at which it was actually opened or the time during which polling was stopped as the case may be.

(2) If polling is to take place on more than one day at any polling station in respect of the election in any one constituency the presiding officer shall in the presence of any candidates or their agents who may be present close the slit for insertion of ballot-paper of each ballot-box or where a box does not contain any mechanical lever for closing the slit, seal up the slit and seal and secure the ballot-boxes used at the polling station during the day and shall then hand over to the officer-in-charge of the police station for safe custody.

(3) Immediately after the close of polls at a polling station and before commencement of counting of votes contemplated in rule 40 is taken up, the presiding officer shall prepare an account of ballot-papers in Form V showing total number of ballot-papers received, issued and unissued including tendered and also the number of ballot-papers those should be found in the ballot-boxes. This account shall be forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner along with the packets stated in rule 44.

39. Fresh poll in the case of destruction of ballot-boxes.—(1) If at any election any ballot-box or boxes is or are unlawfully taken out of the custody of the presiding officer or is or are in any way tampered with, or is or are either accidentally or intentionally destroyed or lost, the election to which such ballot-box or boxes relate shall be liable to be declared as void, but only in respect of the polling at the polling station or stations provided for the poll as the case may be, at which such ballot-box or boxes was or were used and no further.

(2) Whenever the polling at any polling station or stations or at the place fixed for the poll shall be liable to be declared as void under sub-rule (1), the presiding officer shall, as soon as practicable after the act or event causing such voidance has come to his knowledge, report the matter to the Deputy Commissioner, who in the event of his being so satisfied, declare the election void and shall appoint a day for the taking of a fresh poll in such or every such polling stations or in such place fixed for the poll and the hours during which the poll will be taken and shall not count the votes cast at such election until such fresh poll have been completed.

(3) The provisions of these rules shall apply to every such fresh poll as they apply to the original poll.

40. Counting of votes.—(1) On the date specified under rule 3 in this behalf, the presiding officer in the presence of the polling officer and of such candidates or their agents, if any, as may be in attendance shall with respect to ballot-boxes used at the poll where the poll is completed in one day proceed as follows:—

(i) All the ballot-boxes placed for the counting of votes shall be counted and checked and the presiding officer shall satisfy himself that all the ballot-boxes used at the poll have been received and accounted for.

(ii) All the ballot-boxes allotted to each particular candidate shall be separated from those allotted to any other candidate and placed together.

(iii) The presiding officer shall then allow the candidates and their agents present at the counting an opportunity to inspect the ballot-boxes and their seals for satisfying themselves that they are in order.

(iv) If the presiding officer is satisfied that all the ballot-boxes used at the poll have been received and are in order, he shall take up the counting of ballot-papers contained in the ballot-boxes. The counting of all the ballot-papers contained in ballot-boxes allotted to the same candidate shall be completed before the counting of the ballot-papers contained in the ballot-boxes allotted to any other candidate is commenced.

As amongst the candidates, the counting of votes shall proceed in the order in which their names occur in the list of validly nominated candidates published under rule 19 in respect of the election.

(v) One ballot-box shall be opened at a time and the mark or marks made in the box or in any of its component parts or attachments and the label containing the symbol affixed inside the ballot-box shall be checked. Thereafter the ballot-

papers shall be taken out from the box and arranged in the convenient bundles and counted with the aid of persons appointed to assist in the counting of votes. The same procedure shall then be followed in respect of the other ballot-boxes and the ballot-papers contained therein. An account of the ballot-papers found in each box allotted to each candidate shall be recorded in a statement in Form VI.

(vi) The presiding officer shall allow the candidates and their agents who may be present reasonable opportunity to inspect all ballot-papers, which in the opinion of the presiding officer are liable to be rejected but shall not allow them to handle those or any other ballot-papers. The presiding officer shall on every ballot-paper which is rejected, endorse the word "rejected". If any candidate or his agent questions the correctness of the rejection of any ballot-paper, the presiding officer shall also record briefly on such ballot-paper the grounds for its rejection. A brief record shall be kept in Form VII of the serial number of all ballot-papers rejected and of such particulars as will identify the ballot-box in which each such ballot-paper was found.

(vii) After the counting of all ballot-papers contained in each ballot-box has been completed by the presiding officer and an account of such ballot-papers has been recorded in Form VI, the presiding officer shall cause all such ballot-papers to be kept in a separate cover on which shall be indicated such particulars as will identify the ballot-box in which such ballot-papers were found, the name of the candidate to whom such ballot-box was allotted, and the name of the polling station and the number of the polling booth, if any, where such ballot-box was used.

(viii) In cases where there are more than one polling station in one constituency and the counting of ballot papers contained in all the ballot-boxes has been completed, the Deputy Commissioner shall cause all the covers containing the ballot-papers in support of each candidate to be placed in a separate packet and shall seal up all such packets and shall write on each such packets the name of the candidate in support of whom the ballot-papers contained in such packet were cast and the name of the constituency and the date of election to which it refers. He shall also cause all the covers of the ballot-papers found in the ballot-boxes of each candidate but rejected to be kept in a separate sealed packet.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall as far as practicable proceed continuously with the counting of the votes and shall during any intervals when the counting has to be suspended, keep the ballot-papers, packets and other documents relating to the election sealed with his own seal and the seals of such candidates or agents as may desire to affix their seals and shall cause adequate precautions to be taken for their safe custody.

(3) A ballot-paper contained in a ballot-box shall be rejected if

- (a) it bears any mark or writing by which the elector can be identified;
- (b) in the case where a direction has been issued under rule 24 that the ballot-paper shall contain an official mark, it does not contain the official mark;
- (c) if it bears any serial number or mark different from the serial numbers or marks of ballot-papers authorised for use at the polling station or the polling booth at which the ballot-box in which it was found was used;
- (d) the Presiding Officer is satisfied that it is a spurious ballot-paper or that it has been so damaged or mutilated that its identity as a genuine ballot-paper cannot be established;
- (e) if the Presiding Officer is satisfied that an elector has put into the same ballot-box both the ballot-

papers given to him in contravention of rule 32 (1) he shall reject one of such ballot-papers at the time of counting the ballot-papers.

(4) The procedure laid down in sub-rules (1), (2) and (3) above shall, when the polls spread over for more than one day in one constituency, be followed by the Deputy Commissioner or any other officer appointed by him in this behalf.

41. Declaration of results and procedure in case of a tie.—When the counting of votes has been completed, the Deputy Commissioner or any other officer appointed by him in this behalf shall forthwith declare the result in the following manner unless otherwise directed by the Administrator.—

(a) The candidate who is found to have obtained the largest number of valid votes, or, if more than one member is to be elected for the constituency, the candidates up to the number of members to be elected who are found to have obtained the largest number of valid votes, shall be declared to have been elected.

(b) In a constituency where the seats to be filled include one or more seats reserved for the Scheduled Castes (hereinafter referred to as "reserved seats") the candidates who, being qualified to be chosen to fill the reserved seats, have secured the largest number of valid votes to be duly elected to fill the reserved seats shall be declared first, and then such of the remaining candidates as have secured the largest number of valid votes to be duly elected to fill the remaining seats shall be declared.

(c) If, after the counting of votes tie is found to exist between any candidates, and the addition of one vote will entitle any of those candidates to be declared elected, that shall forthwith be decided between those candidates by lot, and the candidate on whom the lot falls shall be considered to have received an additional vote and shall be declared to be duly elected.

42. Preparation of return.—When counting of votes has been completed and the result has been declared under rule 41, the Deputy Commissioner or any other officer appointed by him in this behalf shall forthwith prepare a return showing the names of the candidates the number of votes recorded for each and the names of the candidates declared to have been elected, and shall forthwith post a copy of the return in a conspicuous place at his office and shall within one week forward the names of the elected candidates together with the names deemed to have been elected under the provisions of rule 21 to the Administrator with a view to their election being notified in the Gazette.

43. Election to more than one constituency.—If any person is elected in more than one constituency he shall by notice in writing signed by him and delivered to the Deputy Commissioner within seven days of the publication of the election in the Gazette choose for which of those constituency he shall serve. If he does not deliver such notice within the time prescribed, the Deputy Commissioner shall within fourteen days from the date of the publication of the election declare for which constituency shall serve. Such choice or declaration as the case may be shall be conclusive. The provisions of rule 46 shall apply to the resulting vacancy or vacancies in the constituency or constituencies not chosen or declared.

44. Election papers to be forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner.—The Presiding Officer shall seal up in separate packets, on the outside of which shall be endorsed a description of their contents, and forward to the Deputy Commissioner—

- (a) the ballot-papers counted as valid;
- (b) the ballot-papers rejected as invalid;
- (c) the unissued ballot-papers;
- (d) the issued tendered ballot-papers;
- (e) the unissued tendered ballot-papers;
- (f) the spoilt ballot-papers;
- (g) the marked copy of the roll;
- (h) the cancelled—returned ballot-papers;
- (i) the tendered votes list;
- (j) the list of challenged votes; and
- (k) account of ballot-papers.

45. Custody of election papers.—(1) The Deputy Commissioner shall retain the packets forwarded to him under the provisions of rule 44 in his custody until the expiry of one year from the date of the election and shall then subject to any direction to the contrary made by the Administrator or a competent court or a person or persons appointed to hold an enquiry into an election under Part III of these rules, cause them to be destroyed.

(2) Any candidate may apply to the Deputy Commissioner for a copy of the entries made in the list of Tendered Votes or in the list of Challenged Votes and such copy shall be supplied in accordance with the rules of the Administration governing the supply of copies.

46. Vacancy due to death, resignation or removal.—When a vacancy occurs among the elected members of a Committee by the death, resignation or removal of any member and a new member has to be elected in his place in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) of section 17 of the Act, such election shall be conducted in the manner prescribed in these rules for a general election and the programme of the election shall be framed as soon as may be convenient, after the occurrence of the vacancy and the electoral roll in force under the provisions of rule 9 shall be deemed to be the electoral roll for the purpose of holding the election.

47. Appointment of officers to perform functions of the Deputy Commissioner.—If on account of illness, absence from headquarters or any other reason the Deputy Commissioner is unable to perform any of his functions under these rules, he may by order in writing appoint any Assistant Commissioner or Extra Assistant Commissioner to perform such functions on his behalf.

48. Final authority for interpretation of these rules.—If any question arises regarding the interpretation of these rules otherwise than in connection with an election petition which has actually been presented, it shall be referred by the person interested or the official concerned to the Deputy Commissioner, who, if he thinks fit, may refer it to the Administrator whose decision shall be final.

PART II

49. Election of President or Vice-President.—(1) No election of a President or Vice-President of a Committee shall be held at a meeting unless not less than forty-eight hours' notice of the holding of such meeting has been given to all members of the Committee by delivery at their ordinary place of residence of a notice, which shall specify that such election is to take place at the meeting in question.

(2) The person or persons elected shall, subject in the case of the election of a president, to the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 20 of the Act, assume office from the date of election.

50. Ballot to be taken.—Voting for the office of President or Vice-President shall be by ballot, and if only one candidate for the office is proposed, the members present shall be required to vote by writing "Yes" or "No" on the ballot-paper, and if a majority of votes is not in the affirmative the election shall be postponed to the next meeting of the Committee when a further ballot shall be taken in respect of such candidates as may then be proposed, and the chairman of the meeting shall not have a casting vote. Special ballot-papers shall be used for such voting, each bearing an official mark to be placed thereon by the Deputy Commissioner.

51. Method of electing President and Vice-President.—(1) When the office of President or the office of Vice-President of a Committee of which there is only one office of Vice-President, has to be filled—

(a) if one candidate obtains more votes than any other, than such candidate shall be deemed to be elected;

(b) if two or more candidates obtain an equal number of votes, the chairman of the meeting shall at once decide between the candidates by drawing lots in the presence of the members attending the meeting.

(2) When there are two offices of Vice-President of a Committee and both such offices have to be filled—

(a) voting shall take place at the same election for both the offices of Vice-President of the Committee and each member of the Committee shall record

only one vote;

(b) the two candidates who obtain the largest number of votes shall be deemed to be elected; provided that if, owing to the fact that two or more candidates have obtained an equal number of votes, it is impossible to decide which two candidates have obtained the largest number of votes the matter shall be decided by lots in the manner specified in clause (b) of sub-rule (1) of this rule;

(c) the candidate obtaining the largest number of votes shall be deemed to have been declared by the Committee to be the senior Vice-President, and the candidate obtaining the second largest number of votes shall be deemed to be the junior Vice-President, provided that if both the candidates elected have obtained an equal number of votes, the matter shall be decided by show of hands at a meeting presided over by the President, the President having a casting vote if the votes are otherwise equal.

(3) All ballot-papers used for such voting in respect of a single election shall, immediately after the counting of votes has been completed, be enclosed in a stout envelope and sealed by the person who presided at the meeting, in the view of the members present thereat and the description of the election to which the ballot-papers relate shall be inscribed thereon and such envelope shall be enclosed in another large envelope which shall be addressed to the Deputy Commissioner and delivered to him. The Deputy Commissioner shall preserve the inner envelope intact until the expiry of one year from the date of the election, and shall then, subject to any direction to the contrary made by the Administrator or a competent court, or a person or persons appointed to hold an enquiry into an election under Part III of these Rules, cause it to be destroyed with its contents.

52. Casual vacancies how to be filled.—When there are two offices of Vice-President of a Committee and one such office falls vacant, the Vice-President remaining in office shall be deemed to be the Senior Vice-President and an election shall be held in the manner specified in rule 50 and sub-rule (1) of rule 51 to fill the office of junior Vice-President.

PART III

53. Definitions.—In this part unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or the context—

(a) "Corrupt practice" means—

(i) Bribery, that is to say, any gift, offer or promise by a candidate or his agent or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, of any gratification to any person, whosoever, with the object, directly or indirectly, of inducing—

(a) a person to stand or not to stand as, or to withdraw from being, a candidate at an election; or

(b) an elector to vote or refrain from voting at an election, or as a reward to—

(i) a person for having stood or not stood, or for having withdrawn his candidature; or

(ii) an elector for having voted or refrained from voting.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this clause the term "gratification" is not restricted to pecuniary gratification or gratifications estimable in money and it includes all forms of employment for reward, but it does not include the payment of any expenses bonafide incurred at, or for the purpose of, any election.

(ii) Undue influence, that is to say, any direct or indirect interference or attempt to interfere on the part of a candidate or his agent, or of any other person with the connivance of the candidate or his agent, with the free exercise of any electoral right:—

Provided that—

(a) without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of this clause, any such person as is referred to therein who—

(i) threatens any candidate, or any elector, or any person in whom a candidate or any elector is interested with injury of any kind including social ostracism and excommunication or

expulsion from any caste or community; or

(ii) induces or attempts to induce a candidate or an elector to believe that he or any person in whom he is interested, will become or will be rendered, an object of divine displeasure or spiritual censure, shall be deemed to interfere with the free exercise of the electoral right of such candidate or elector within the meaning of this clause;

(b) a declaration of public policy, or a promise of public action, or the mere exercise of a legal right without intent to interfere with an electoral right, shall not be deemed to be interference within the meaning of this clause.

(iii) The procuring or abetting or attempting to procure by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, the application by a person for a ballot-paper in the name of any other person, whether living or dead or in a fictitious name, or by a person for a ballot-paper in his own name when, by reason of the fact that he has, already voted in the same or some other constituency he is not entitled to vote.

(iv) The publication by a candidate or this agent, or by any other person with the connivance of the candidate or his agent, or any statement of fact which is false, and which he either believes to be false or does not believe to be true, in relation to the personal character or conduct of any candidate, or in relation to the candidature or withdrawal of any candidate being a statement reasonably calculated to prejudice the prospects of that candidate's election.

(v) The removal of ballot-paper from the polling station during polling hours by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent.

(vi) The hiring or procuring, whether on payment or otherwise, of any vehicle or vessel by a candidate or his agent or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent for the conveyance of any elector (other than the candidate himself, the members of his family or his agent) to or from any polling station:

Provided that the hiring of a vehicle or vessel by an elector or by several electors at their joint costs for the purpose of conveying him or them to or from any such polling station or place fixed for the poll shall not be deemed to be a corrupt practice under this clause if the vehicle or vessel so hired is a vehicle or vessel not propelled by mechanical power:

Provided further that the use of any public transport vehicle or vessel or any tram car or railway carriage by any elector at his own cost for the purpose of going to or coming from any such polling station or place fixed for the poll shall not be deemed to be a corrupt practice under this clause.

Explanation.—In this clause, the expression "vehicle" means any vehicle used or capable of being used for the purpose of road transport, whether propelled by mechanical power or otherwise, and whether used for drawing other vehicles or otherwise.

(vii) The obtaining or procuring or abetting or attempting to obtain or procure by a candidate or his agent or, by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, any assistance for the furtherance of the prospects of the candidate's election from any person serving under the Government of India or the Government of any State or any local authority other than the giving of vote by such person.

Explanation.—A person serving under the Himachal Pradesh Administration shall include a patwari, a chaukidar, lambaradar, or any other village officer employed in that State, whether the

office he holds is a wholetime office or not but shall not include any person (other than any such village officers as aforesaid) who has been declared by the Administrator to be a person to whom the provision of this clause shall not apply.

(viii) Any act specified in clauses (i) to (vii) above, when done by a person who is not a candidate or his agent or a person acting with the connivance of a candidate or his agent.

(ix) The application by a person at an election for a ballot-paper in the name of any other person, whether living or dead, or in a fictitious name, or for a ballot-paper in his own name when, by reason of the fact that he has already voted in the same or some other constituency, he is not entitled to vote.

(x) The receipt of, or agreement to receive any gratification whether as a motive or a reward—

(a) by a person for standing or standing as, or for withdrawing from being a candidate; or

(b) by any person whatsoever for himself or any other person for voting or refraining from voting or for inducing or attempting to induce any elector to vote or refrain from voting, or any candidate to withdraw his candidature.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this clause the term "gratification" has the same meaning as it has for the purposes of clause (1).

(xi) (a) The systematic appeal to vote or refrain from voting on grounds of caste, race, community or religion or use of, or appeal to religious and national symbols, such as, national flag and the national emblems, for the furtherance of the prospects of a candidate's election;

(b) "candidate" means a person who has been nominated as a candidate at any election and includes a person, who, when an election is in contemplation, holds himself out as a prospective candidate therat and is subsequently nominated as a candidate at such election;

(c) "election" means the election of a member, President, or Vice-President of a municipal committee;

(d) "elector" means a person whose name is registered on the roll of the constituency against the return of a candidate to represent which a petition is presented or, for the purpose of a petition against the return of a President or a Vice-President, a person whose name is registered on the roll of any constituency;

(e) "material irregularity" in the procedure of an election includes any such improper acceptance or refusal of any nomination or improper reception or refusal of a vote or reception of any vote which is void or non-compliance with the provisions of the Act or of the rules made thereunder, or mistake in the use of any form annexed thereto as materially affects the result of an election.

54. **Election not to be questioned except by petition.**—No election shall be called in question except by an election petition presented in accordance with these rules.

55. **The election petition.**—(1) An election petition against the return of a candidate at a Municipal election or against the return of President or Vice-President or against an unsuccessful candidate with a view to his qualification under rule 68 on the ground of a corrupt practice or material irregularity in the procedure shall be in writing, signed by a person who was a candidate at the election or by not less than five electors, and the petitions shall be presented to the Deputy Commissioner or an Assistant Commissioner or Extra Assistant Commissioner appointed by the Deputy Commissioner in this behalf within 14 days after the day on which the result of the election was declared, provided that the limit of fourteen days prescribed by this rule may be extended by the Deputy Commissioner if there are in his opinion sufficient grounds for such extension.

(2) The petitioner shall enclose with the petition copies of the petition and of its enclosures equal to the number of respondents.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this rule in a constituency in which a candidate is deemed to be elected under the provisions of rule 21 the day on which the list of valid nomination is posted under the provisions of sub-rule (1) rule 19 shall be deemed to be the day on which the result of the election was declared.

56. Contents of the petition.—(1) The petition shall contain a statement in concise form of the material facts on which the petitioner relies and shall, where necessary, be divided into paragraphs numbered consecutively, and shall be signed by the petitioner and verified in the manner prescribed for the verification of pleadings in the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908.

(2) The petition shall be accompanied by a list signed and verified in like manner setting forth full particulars of any corrupt practice which the petitioner alleges, including as full a statement as possible as to the names of the parties alleged to have committed any corrupt practice and the date and place of the commission of each such practice.

(3) The commission may upon such terms as to cost and otherwise as it may direct at any time allow the particulars included in the said list to be amended or ordered such further and better particulars in regard to any matter referred to therein to be furnished as may, in its opinion, be necessary for the purpose of ensuring fair and effectual trial of the petition; provided that particulars as to any additional corrupt practice not contained in the said list shall not be added by means of any such amendment.

57. Deposit to be made when petition is presented and return of deposit.—(1) At the time of, or before presenting an election petition, the petitioner or petitioners shall deposit in the treasury or a sub-treasury two hundred and fifty rupees in cash or in Government Promissory Notes of equal value at the market rate of the day as security for all cost that may become payable by him or them.

(2) If a petitioner by whom the deposit referred to in sub-rule (1) has been made withdraws his election petition as provided in rule 62 and in any other case after final orders have been passed on the election petition, the deposit shall, after such amount as may be ordered to be paid as costs, charges and expenses has been deducted, be returned to the petitioner by whom it was made; and if the petitioner dies during the course of the enquiry into the election petition, any such deposit, if made by him, shall, after the amount of such costs as may be ordered to be paid have been deducted, be returned to his legal representative.

(3) All applications for the refund of a deposit shall be made to the Deputy Commissioner who shall pass orders thereon in accordance with these rules.

58. Petition to be forwarded to Administrator.—The Deputy Commissioner shall forward every election petition received by him under rule 55 to the Administrator.

59. Petition to be dismissed for non-compliance with rules.—If any of the provisions of sub-rule (1) of rule 55 or rule 57 have not been complied with, the Administrator shall pass an order dismissing the election petition and such orders shall be final.

60. Persons to be appointed for enquiry into a petition.—(1) If the election petition is not dismissed under rule 59, the Administrator shall appoint a person or persons, hereinafter referred to as the Commission to hold an enquiry into the allegations made in the election petition.

(2) The Administrator may appoint a person by name or by office to be a Commission under this rule and if a person is appointed by virtue of his office the person for the time being holding the office shall be the Commission unless the Administrator shall otherwise direct.

(3) If a vacancy occurs in a Commission by reason of a death, transfer, resignation or any other cause, the Administrator may make a fresh appointment as provided by clause (2) of this rule.

(4) If on the application of any party to an election petition, Administrator is satisfied that there are reason-

able grounds for the transfer of a case from the Court of the Commission appointed to hear the election petition, it may make a fresh appointment as provided by sub-rule (2) above.

(5) A change of incumbency in the Commission whether by reason of death, transfer, resignation or any other cause shall not invalidate any previous or subsequent proceedings in any matter pending before it, nor shall it be necessary for a Commission on account of such change to recommence any enquiry into any matter pending before it for disposal.

(6) The Commission shall cause to be served on each respondent a notice of the presentation of the petition, together with a copy of the petition, and shall summon each respondent and in his presence or if he fails to be present or in person or by counsel after summons has been duly served upon him or in his absence shall make an enquiry regarding the corrupt practices or irregularities alleged to have been committed.

61. Place and procedure of enquiry.—(1) The enquiry shall be held in a place to which the public have free access and notice of the time and place of enquiry shall be given to the parties not less than seven days before the first day of the enquiry.

(2) The place of enquiry shall be within the municipality provided that the Commission may on being satisfied the special circumstances exist rendering it desirable that the enquiry should be held elsewhere, appoint some other convenient place for the enquiry.

(3) Subject to the provisions of these rules every election petition shall be enquired into as nearly as may be in accordance with the procedure applicable under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, to the trial of suits provided that if the Commission consists of more than one person it shall only be necessary for it to make or cause to be made a memoranda of the substance of the evidence of any witness and provided further that a Commission may dismiss an election petition for default.

62. Withdrawal of petition.—(1) An election petition may be withdrawn only by leave of the Commission or if an application for withdrawal is made before any Commission has been appointed, by the Administrator.

(2) If there are more petitioners than one, no application to withdraw a petition shall be made except with the consent of all the petitioners.

(3) When an application for withdrawal is made to the Commission notice thereof fixing a date for the hearing of the application shall be given to all other parties to the petition and shall be published by being posted at the office of the Deputy Commissioner and at the municipal office.

(4) No application for withdrawal shall be granted if in the opinion of the Administrator or of the Commission, as the case may be, such application has been induced by any bargain or consideration which ought not be allowed.

(5) If the application is granted—

(a) the petitioner shall where the application has been made to the Commission be ordered to pay the costs of the respondent theretofore incurred or such portion thereof as the Commission may think fit.

(b) notice of the withdrawal shall be published by being posted at the office of the Deputy Commissioner and at the municipal office..

(c) any person who might himself have been a petitioner may, within fourteen days from the date of such publication, apply to be substituted as petitioner in place of the party withdrawing and, upon compliance with the conditions of rule 57 as to the security, shall be entitled to be so substituted and to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Administrator or the Commission may think fit.

(6) When an election petition is allowed by the Commission to be withdrawn the file of the proceedings shall be forwarded to the Administrator for information.

63. Abatement or substitution on death of petitioner.—(1) An election petition shall abate only on the death of a sole petitioner or of the survivor of several petitioners.

(2) Notice of the abatement of an election petition shall be published by the Commission or, if the petition abates before any Commission has been appointed, by the

Administrator by being posted at the office of the Deputy Commissioner and at the municipal office.

(3) Any person who might himself have been a petitioner, may, within fourteen days from the date of such publication, apply to be substituted as petitioner, and, upon compliance with the condition of rule 57 as to security shall be entitled to be so substituted and to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Administrator or the Commission, as the case may be, may think fit.

64. Abatement or substitution on death of respondent.—If before the conclusion of the trial of an election petition the respondent dies or gives notice that he does not intend to oppose the petition the Commission shall cause notice of such event to be published by being posted at the office of the Deputy Commissioner and at the Municipal Office, and thereupon any person who might have been a petitioner may, within fourteen days from the date of such publication, apply to be substituted for such respondent to oppose the petition and shall be entitled to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commission may think fit.

65. Grounds for declaring election void.—(1) Save as hereinafter provided in these rules if in the opinion of the Commission—

- (a) the election of a returned candidate has been procured, or induced or the result of the election has been materially affected, by a corrupt practice, or
- (b) any corrupt practice specified in sub-clauses (i), (ii) or (iii) or (iv) of clause (a) of rule 53 has been committed, or
- (c) there has been any material irregularity, or
- (d) the election has not been a free election by reason of the large number of cases in which the corrupt practices specified in sub-clause (i) or (ii) of clause (a) of rule 53 have been committed by a candidate or an agent of a candidate or a person acting with the connivance of a candidate or such agent or any person who is not a candidate or a person acting with the connivance of a candidate or such agent or any person who is not a candidate or an agent of such candidate or a person acting with the connivance of a candidate or such agent,

the Commission shall report that the election of the returned candidate shall be deemed to be void.

(2) If the Commission reports that a returned candidate has been guilty by an agent of any corrupt practice which does not amount to any form of bribery other than treating as hereinafter explained or to the procuring or abetment of personation, and if the Commission further reports that the candidate has satisfied it that—

- (a) no corrupt practice was committed at such election by the candidate and the corrupt practices mentioned in the report were committed contrary to the orders and without the sanction or connivance of such candidate, and
- (b) such candidate took all reasonable means for preventing the commission of corrupt practices at such election, and
- (c) the corrupt practices mentioned in the said report were of a trivial, unimportant and limited character and did not materially affect the result of the election, and
- (d) in all other respects the election was free from any corrupt practice on the part of such candidate then the Commission may report that the election of such candidate should not be deemed to be void.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this sub-rule “treating” means the incurring in whole or in part by any person of the expense of giving or providing any food, drink, entertainment or provision to any person with the object directly or indirectly of inducing him or any other person to vote or refrain from voting or as a reward for having voted or refrained from voting.

66. Report of Commission and procedure thereon.—(1) At the conclusion of the enquiry the Commission shall report whether the returned candidate has in its

opinion been duly elected, and in so reporting shall have regard to the provisions of rule 65.

(2) The reasonable expenses incurred by any person in attending to give evidence may be allowed by the Commission to such person, and shall unless the Commission otherwise directs, be deemed to be part of the costs.

(3) The report of the Commission shall contain a definite finding regarding the amount of the costs that should, in the opinion of the Commission, be allowed and the parties by whom and to whom such costs should be paid and such particulars of the amount assessed as costs as are prescribed in the case of civil suits, shall be either specified in the Commission's report or attached to the report, in the form of a memorandum and the Commission may recommend that interest on cost at a rate not exceeding six per cent per annum may be allowed and such interest may be added to the costs.

(4) Before submitting the report the Commission shall fix a date for the presence of the parties or their agents, and shall announce the substance of the report including the findings on the question of costs to such of the parties or their agents as may be present on that date.

67. Findings as to corrupt practice and persons guilty.—Where any charge is made in an election petition of any corrupt practice, the Commission shall record in its report—

- (a) a finding whether a corrupt practice has or has not been proved to have been committed by any candidate or any agent of a candidate or with the connivance of any candidate or any such agent and the nature of such corrupt practice, and
- (b) the names of all persons if any who have been proved at the inquiry to have been guilty of any corrupt practice and the nature of such corrupt practice with any such recommendations as the Commission may desire to make for the exemption of any such persons from any disqualifications to which they may have become liable in this connection under these rules;

Provided that no person shall be named in the report unless he has been given a reasonable opportunity of showing cause why his name should not be so recorded.

Note.—The procedure for the submission of the report by the Commission and the passing of orders thereon is prescribed in sections 254 and 255 of the Act.

68. Persons guilty of corrupt practice may be declared ineligible for municipal office.—If, as the result of an enquiry, it is established to the satisfaction of the Administrator, that any person has been guilty of a corrupt practice other than a corrupt practice of the description referred to in sub-rule (2) of rule 65 and committed in circumstances in which the Commission may under the provisions of the said sub-rule find that an election should not be deemed to be void, the Administrator may declare that such person shall be incapable of being elected or nominated to membership or to any office whether honorary or paid of any Municipal Committee for a period which may extend to five years:

Provided that the period of disqualification fixed under this rule by any order of the Administrator may be reduced by order of the Administrator.

69. Power to remand for further enquiry.—The Administrator may remand any case for further enquiry to the Commission.

70. Power of Administrator to order an enquiry.—The Administrator may of its own motion direct an enquiry to be held into the conduct of any election if there is reason to suspect that a corrupt practice or material irregularity has been committed and the case shall be dealt with so far as may be in the manner prescribed in these rules.

71. Fresh election to be held if an election is declared void.—When as a result of an inquiry under these rules the election of a candidate is declared void, the Administrator shall direct that a new election shall be held:

Provided that if the Administrator has found that there has been a mistake in the counting of votes or in the declaration of invalid votes, and that but for that mistake some other candidate would have been declared

successful, the Administrator may, instead of directing that a new election shall be held, declare that the candidate found to have obtained the largest number of valid votes shall be deemed to have been elected.

FORM I
[Rule 11 (1)]
Nomination paper

Name of Constituency _____
Name of candidate _____
Father's or husband's name _____
Age _____
Occupation _____
Address _____

*Where the candidate is a member of the Scheduled Castes the particular caste to which the candidate belongs

Constituency in electoral roll of which the candidate is registered as an elector

Number of the candidate on the electoral roll of the constituency in which he is registered as an elector

Name of the proposer _____
Number of proposer on the electoral roll of the constituency in which the candidate is a candidate for election

Signature of the proposer _____
Name of the seconder _____
Number of the seconder on the electoral roll of the constituency in which the candidate is a candidate for election

Signature of the seconder _____
*This column is to be filled only in the case of constituency where the seal of any of the seats to be filled is reserved for the Scheduled Castes. In other cases, this column shall be struck out.

DECLARATION BY CANDIDATE

I hereby declare that I agree to this nomination.
Date _____ Signature of candidate _____

Declaration as to choice of symbols

I do hereby declare that the symbols which I have chosen for my election are shown below in the order of my preference:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Date _____ Signature of Candidate.
Declaration by a candidate who is a member of any of the Scheduled Castes

I hereby declare that I am a member of the _____ caste which has been declared to be a Scheduled Caste in the State.

Date _____ Signature of the Candidate.

Note.—This nomination paper will not be valid unless it is delivered to the Deputy Commissioner or other person authorised to receive it at his office before 3 p.m. on _____

(To be filled in by Deputy Commissioner or other authorized person)

CERTIFICATE OF DELIVERY

Serial No. _____
This nomination paper was delivered to me at my office at _____ (date and hour).

Date _____ Signature of Deputy Commissioner or other authorized person

CERTIFICATE OF SCRUTINY

[Rule 17 (2) 1]

I have scrutinized the eligibility of the candidate, the proposer and seconder, and find that they are respectively qualified to stand for election, to propose and to second the nomination, and I, therefore, accept the nomination of _____

I have scrutinized this nomination and reject it for the following reasons:

Date _____ Signature of officer scrutinizing the nomination paper

The symbol assigned to the candidate is _____
Signature of Deputy Commissioner or other authorized person _____

FORM II
FORM OF TENDERED BALLOT-PAPER
(Rule 34)

Election for _____ Constituency _____

19 _____

polling Station _____

Name of Voter _____

Number in electoral roll _____

Name of candidate or candidates for whom this is tendered

1. _____

2. _____

etc.

Date _____

Signature of the Presiding Officer.

FORM III

(Rule 34)
TENDERED VOTES LIST

Polling Station _____

Name of constituency	Name of Voter	Number in electoral roll	Signature of voter if literate or thumb-impression if illiterate, with his address

FORM IV

(Rule 35)

Polling Station _____

Signature Sheet No. _____

Name of constituency	Number on electoral roll	Name and address	Signature of voter, if literate, or thumb-impression of voter, if illiterate	Name of identifier if any	Order of Presiding Officer in each case

FORM V

[Rule 38 (3)]

BALLOT-PAPERS

	Particulars	Serial Number	From	To	Total
Received	.. Single member Double member ..				
Issued	.. Single member Double member ..				
Unissued	.. Single member Double member ..				

ACCOUNT OF TOTAL BALLOT-PAPERS ISSUED

Total issued	Total returned spoilt	Balance total in ballot-box

वार्ड नं० ५
देहली मेट से हो कर बड़ा चौक से हवेली लाला विश्वम्भर दास, पंजाब नेशनल बैंक, बड़ा चौक से विश्वानाथ की दकान के पास वाली गली तोशावाना से हो कर महलात के सामने से हाँकर देहली गेट तक, श्री निरन्जन सिंह ठेकेदार के मकान से मुहल्ला अचारजान हिस्सा इसमें शामिल हैं।

यानी मुहल्ला हिन्दू आश्रम, मुहलात गुलजार दर्जी व लाला विश्वम्भर दास बर्यारा के मकानात, मुहल्ला डावों अचारजान व कुछ मकानात कहारान बर्यारा इसमें शामिल हैं ठेकेदार निरन्जन सिंह का मकान इसमें शामिल नहीं।

वार्ड नं० ६

गली पंडित किशन लाल बरोटिया से हो कर कच्चा जोहड़ तक, किर कच्चा जोहड़ से माल रोड के साथ साथ हस्तात मर्वीशियान से कहार गली, नवाल गली होते हुए पंडित किशन लाल बरोटिया के मकान से जा मिलती है।

इनमें मुहल्ला कच्चा जोहड़ दोनों तरफ यानी मकान लाल विश्वम्भर दास से शुरू हो कर कच्चा जोहड़ तक मुहल्ला चक्की घर, मुहल्ला कलायात खारा बर्यारा सब शामिल हैं।

वार्ड नं० ७

कच्चा जोहड़ पुलिस चौकी से शुरू होकर Range चौकी से देहली गेट तक; इसमें मुहल्ला हरिजन, रामदासियान व मुहल्ला गोविंद गढ़ चक्रेड़ा इसमें शामिल हैं। राम कुण्डी इसमें शामिल है।

वार्ड नं० ८

कच्चा जोहड़ से तमाम Military का हिस्सा वार्ड नं० ८ है।

इसमें तमाम Military रक्ता Followers lines व चीरान वाली बर्यारा शामिल हैं।

CORRIGENDUM

Simla-4, the 25th July, 1957

No. El. 17-26/57.—Substitute semi-colon “;” in place of full-stop “.” at the end of the first paragraph and in the 2nd paragraph for the words and figures “dated 17-7-1957” substitute the words and figures “dated 17-4-1957” as appearing in the notification No. El. 17-26/57, dated the 29th June, 1957 published in the Himachal Pradesh Administration Gazette, dated the 20th July, 1957 at page 505.

By order,
K. B. SRIVASTAVA,
Secretary.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Simla-4, the 20th July, 1957

No. Fin. 10-83/57.—In exercise of the powers conferred upon him under item 43 of Appendix 14 of the Fundamental and Supplementary Rules Volume II, the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh, is pleased to declare the Director of Industries as Head of Department in respect of Factories Inspectorate, under head “46-Miscellaneous-N-Miscellaneous Departments-N.1-Factories”.

R. C. GUPTA,
Assistant Secretary.

FOREST DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATIONS

Simla-5, the 18th July, 1957

No. Ft. 12-111/57.—With the approval of the Government of India, Ministry of Food and Agriculture contained in their letter No. F. 25-15/57 U.T. dated the 20th June, 1957, Shri R. S. Chopra, a retired Forest Officer of the Punjab, is appointed as Conservator of Forests, Simla Circle, Simla for a period of one year with effect from the date he takes over charge of the post.

Simla-5, the 20th July, 1957

No. Ft. 12-51/57.—Consequent upon the reversion of Shri J. N. Mullick P.F.S. (I), who was on deputation with the Forest Research Institute and College, Dehradun, the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to post him as Divisional Forest Officer, Mandi Forest

Division, Mandi, with effect from the date he takes charge of the post.

Simla-4, the 16th July, 1957

No. Ft. 12-9/57.—Shri Sant Ram, P.F.S. (I), at present posted as Systematic Botanist, Soil Conservation Research Station, Menthapol in Sirmur District, is transferred and posted as Divisional Forest Officer, Chamba Forest Division, Chamba with immediate effect vice Shri Lokindra Singh, P.F.S. (I) on leave.

ADDENDUM

Simla-4, the 24th July, 1957

No. Ft. 45-70/57.—In this office Notification No. Ft. 45-70/57, dated July 2, 1957, the following may be added after item No. 4 of paragraph 2:—

“Note.—Grass cutting may be permitted free to the right-holders on permit after the rains at the discretion of the Divisional Forest Officer concerned”.

By order,
A. B. MALIK, I.A.S.,
Secretary.

HOME DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATIONS

Simla-4, the 13th July, 1957

No. H. 28-115/57.—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 492 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1898 (V of 1898) etc., and in supersession of all previous notification on the subject the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh, doth hereby appoint the Public Prosecutor, Prosecuting Inspector and Prosecuting Sub-Inspector of Ambala Branch of the Delhi Special Police Establishment to be the Public Prosecutors for the Special Police Establishment cases in the Union Territory of Himachal Pradesh.

By order,
A. GUPTA, I.P.,
Additional Secretary.

Simla-4, the 23rd July, 1957

No. H. 28-139/57.—On return from leave Sri Kishan Chand, Officiating Superintendent of Police, Bilaspur is posted to Nahan as Officiating Superintendent of Police, Sirmur District.

A. GUPTA, I.P.,
Additional Secretary.

INDUSTRIES DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATIONS

Simla-4, the 9th July, 1957

No. Ind. Est. 15/57.—Thirteen days leave as detailed below with the permission to suffix Sunday the 10th February, 1957, has been granted to Shri R. P. Tuli, Mining Engineer, with effect from the 28th January, 1957:—

1. From 28th January, 1957 to 8th February, 1957—12 days—Earned Leave.
2. For 9th February, 1957—1 day Extraordinary—Leave.

Simla-4, the 11th July, 1957

No. I&S. 15 (Est.) 347/57.—The pay of Shri C. L. Malhotra, Mining Engineer, Mandi, at present officiating as Assistant Salt Commissioner in the Office of the Salt Commissioner, New Delhi, is fixed, with the prior approval of the Government of India as conveyed *vide* the Ministry of Commerce & Industry letter No. 6/10/1/50-Salt, dated the 28th June, 1957, at Rs. 300 (Rupees three hundred only) per mensem in the scale of Rs. 250-25-500 with effect from the 1st September, 1948.

A. B. MALIK, I.A.S.,
Secretary.

MEDICAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATIONS

Simla-4, the 13th July, 1957

No. M. 19-Estt./57.—Consequent upon the appointment of Lt. Col. Partap Chandra as Director of Health Services, Himachal Pradesh, Dr. Devi Chand is temporarily appointed as Additional Director of Health Services in the scale of Rs. 1000-50-1500, against the post created *vide* Himachal Pradesh Administration letter of even No. dated the 10th July, 1957, from the date of his handing over charge of the post of Director Health Services.

INDAR SEN,
Secretary (Medical).

Simla-4, the 18th July, 1957

No. M. 19-56 57.—In exercise of the powers vested in him under section 21 of the Drugs Act, 1940 (XVIII of 1940), the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to appoint Dr. Girdhari Lal, Medical Officer (V.D.) Sirmur District, as Drugs Inspector in addition to his own duties for inspecting the retail Drugs shops within the District of Sirmur *vice* Dr. (Miss) M.K. Dhillon, transferred to Sundernagar in Mandi District.

R. C. GUPTA,
Assistant Secretary (Medical).

PANCHAYAT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Simla-4, the 17th July, 1957

No. CS. 70-60 54.—In exercise of the powers conferred upon him under rules 59, 60 and 61 of the Panchayat Rules made under the Himachal Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1953, the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh, is pleased to appoint an election tribunal for the trial of election petitions in Bilaspur District of Himachal Pradesh consisting of the following members:—

1. Senior Sub-judge, Bilaspur.
2. Shri M. L. Sud, Advocate.
3. Shri Kanshi Ram (Retired Under Secretary Finance, Bilaspur).

2. Members of the election tribunals (Panchayats) shall be paid travelling allowance and daily allowance as follows:—

Travelling allowance	Daily allowance
Non-official members	
(a) In respect of journeys by rail—one 1st class fare plus incidental expenses @12 pies per mile.	(a) At the highest rate admissible to the Govt. servants of grade I for the respective localities for members who come from a place other than the place of meeting.
(b) In respect of journeys by road—rates of mileage allowance as admissible to officers of the First Grade.	(b) Actual cost of conveyance hire subject to a maximum of Rs. 10 per day for those who are residents of the place where meeting is held.

Official members

As they are entitled to in their official capacity.

Note:—The admissibility of Travelling and Daily allowance is subject to usual conditions.

The expenditure will be debitable to Head "57-Misc. A-6 Charges in connection with Village Panchayat Act A-6 Other Charges" in the account of the current financial year.

By order,
P. C. SAXENA, I.A.S.,
Secretary.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATIONS

Simla-4, the 23rd July, 1957

No. PW. 136-73/57-9194-60.—Shri L. N. Nangia, having been selected by the Union Public Service Commission *vide* their letter No. F-1/547/55-RII, dated the 13th November, 1956, and appointed *vide* this Administration memo, No. PW-57-2/54-VI-858-66, dated 10th January, 1957 joined the Himachal Pradesh P.W.D. on the afternoon of 10th May, 1957, and took over charge of 11nd Hydro Electrical Division, Dalhousie on the afternoon of 15th May, 1957 from Shri S. N. Khosla, Executive Engineer, who has been reverted to his parent department *i.e.* Punjab P.W.D. (Electricity Branch) with immediate effect.

Simla-4, the 24th July, 1957

No. PWE. 136-50/57-9706-8.—26 days earned leave with effect from 6th July, 1957 or the date of actual availing is hereby sanctioned to Shri Darshan Dass, Assistant Engineer, Irrigation Sub-Division, Mandi subject to the verification of title of leave by the Accountant General, Punjab, Simla. Shri S. K. Gautam, Assistant Engineer, Irrigation Sub-Division, Bilaspur, will take over charge from Shri Darshan Dass in addition to his own duties during the formers absence.

Simla-4, the 24th July, 1957

No. PW. 136-55/57-9685-91.—Shri Anand Prakash, Executive Engineer, Bilaspur B & R Division, Bilaspur, took over charge of New Bilaspur Township Division from Shri D. Mukerjee, Executive Engineer, in the afternoon of 24th May, 1957 consequent upon the latter's reversion to his parent department *i.e.* C.P.W.D. with immediate effect.

Simla-4, the 24th July, 1957

No. PWE. 136-27/57-9710-12.—Shri D. P. Sehgal, Assistant Engineer, Irrigation Sub-Division, Jubbal, took over charge of Rampur Irrigation Sub-Division, from Shri M. L. Passi, Assistant Engineer, Irrigation Sub-Division, Mahasu, Simla, who was holding dual charge.

Simla-4, the 24th July, 1957

No. PWE. 136-11/57-9699-62.—In partial modification of this office Gazette Notification No. PW-13-9-1/51-17138-41, dated the 10th April, 1957, 20 days earned leave with effect from 30th April, 1957 to 19th May, 1957, is hereby sanctioned to Shri N. L. Sharma, Assistant Engineer, Mahasu B & R Sub-Division, Simla, subject to the verification of title of leave by the Accountant General Punjab, Simla.

D. N. ENDLAW,
Secretary.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATIONS

Simla-4, the 27th June, 1957

No. R. 22-356/57.—Whereas it appears to the Lieut.-Governor, Himachal Pradesh, that land is likely to be required to be taken by the Government at the public expense for a public purpose, namely for the construction of Chamba-Bharmour road, it is hereby notified that the land in the locality described below is likely to be required for the above purpose.

2. This notification is made under the provisions of Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 as applied to Himachal Pradesh to all whom it may concern.

3. In exercise of the powers conferred by the aforesaid section, the Lieutenant Governor is pleased to authorise the Officers for the time being engaged in the undertaking with their servants and workmen to enter upon and survey any land in the locality and do all other acts required or permitted by the section.

4. Any person interested who has any objection to the acquisition of any land in the locality may, within thirty

days of the publication of this notification file an objection in writing before the Collector, Land Acquisition, P. W. D., Chamba District, Chamba.

SPECIFICATION

District: CHAMBA

Tehsil: CHAMBA

Village	Khasra No.	Area		
		Big.	Bis.	Bisw.
RAJERA	251/2	0	3	0
	274/2	0	1	0
	230/2	0	6	0
	228/2	0	3	0
	231/2	0	8	0
	229	0	9	0
	271	1	0	0
	480/2	3	1	0
	436/2	0	6	0
	237/2	1	9	0
	255/2	0	3	0
	232/2	0	5	0
	233/2	0	8	0
	254/2	0	17	0
	269/2	1	0	0
	254/3	0	7	0
	229/1	0	0	10
	270	0	8	0
	448	0	4	0
	225/2	0	18	0
	247/2	13	5	0
	315/2	0	14	0
	421	0	9	0
	423/2	0	7	0
	424	0	2	0
	425/2	0	1	0
	426/2	0	5	0
	433/2	2	13	0
	435/2	9	16	0
	446	0	8	0
	476/2	0	17	0
	505/2	0	11	0
	574/2	13	3	0
	669/2	0	13	0
	670/2	8	3	0
	273/2	0	7	0
	272/2	0	5	0
	280/2	0	2	0
	420/2	0	19	0
	419/2	0	12	0
	430/2	0	2	0
	443	2	4	0
	449	0	3	0
	450/2	0	10	0
	447	1	2	0
	427/2	0	3	0
	268/2	0	2	0
	422	0	8	0
	422/2	0	4	0
	445	0	6	0
	252/2	0	1	0
	253	3	17	0
	444/2	0	5	0
	418/2	0	19	0
	441/2	0	8	0
	441/3	0	4	0
	Total		..	76 6 10

Simla-4, the 13th July, 1957

No. R. 22-489/57.—Whereas it appears to the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh that land is likely to be required to be taken by the Government at the public expense for a public purpose, namely for erecting Diesel Set and for construction of quarters for electrical department, it is hereby notified that the land in the locality described below is likely to be required for the above purpose.

2. This notification is made under the provisions of section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, as applied

to Himachal Pradesh to all whom it may concern.

3. In exercise of the powers conferred by the aforesaid section, the Lieutenant Governor is pleased to authorise the officers for the time being engaged in the undertaking with their servants and workmen to enter upon and survey any land in the locality and do all other acts required or permitted by that section.

4. Any person interested who has any objection to the acquisition of any land in the locality may, within thirty days of the publication of this notification file an objection in writing before the Collector, Land Acquisition, Himachal Pradesh, P.W.D., Simla.

SPECIFICATION

District: MAHASU

Sub-Tehsil: KOTKHAI

Village	Khasra No.	Area	
		Big. Bis.	
GEHAR	50	0 7	
	51/2	0 19	
	52/2	2 8	
	53	0 16	
	96/54	1 0	
	95/54	0 16	
	55	0 15	
	Total		.. 7 1

Simla-4, the 15th July, 1957

No. R. 22-344/57.—Shri B. L. Budhraja, Land Acquisition Officer, Bilaspur is hereby sanctioned 26 days earned leave with effect from 15th July, 1957 to 9th August, 1957 with permission to prefix and suffix Sundays and gazetted holiday on 14th July and 10th and 11th August, 1957.

Simla-4, the 17th July, 1957

No. R. 22-324/57.—Whereas it appears to the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh that the land is required to be taken by the Government at public expense for a public purpose, namely for the construction of Police Station at Kihar, it is hereby declared that the land described in the specification below is required for the above purpose.

2. This declaration is made under the provisions of section 6 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, to all whom it may concern, and under the provisions of Section 7 of the said Act, the Collector, Chamba District is hereby directed to take order for the acquisition of the said land.

3. A plan of the land may be inspected in the office of the Collector, Chamba District, Chamba.

SPECIFICATION

District: CHAMBA

Tehsil: CHURAH

Village	Khasra No.	Area	
		A. K. M.	
SAROG	584/47	0 1 1	
	584/47/1	0 0 7	
	685/46	0 1 18	
	1 & Gosha	0 1 0	
	Total		.. 0 4 6

By order,
BASANT RAI,
Assistant Secretary.

भाग 2—वैधानिक नियमों को छोड़ कर विभिन्न विभागों के अध्यक्षों और ज़िला मैजिस्ट्रेटों द्वारा
अधिसूचनाएँ इत्यादि।

DIRECTORATE OF CONSOLIDATION OF HOLDINGS

NOTIFICATION

Simla-5, the 22nd July, 1957

No. R. I-7/55 II/CH.—With the object of Consolidation of Holdings in the undermentioned estates in the interest of the general public and for the purpose of better cultivation of land therein, the Director Consolidation of Holdings, Himachal Pradesh, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 3 of the Himachal Pradesh (Consolidation of Holdings) Act, 1953 (Act X of 1954) as delegated to him *vide* Himachal Pradesh Administration Notification No. R. 86-66/52, dated the 14th February, 1955 hereby declares the intention of Himachal Pradesh Administration of its own motion to make a Scheme for Consolidation of Holdings in the said estates:

Sl. No.	Name of Estate	H.B. No.	Total area in acres	Tehsil	Distt.
			4		
1.	Lohara	37	133	Sadar	Mandi
2.	Mandar	36	104	do	do
3.	Talah	35	187	do	do
4.	Salwanan	34	101	do	do
5.	Chunahan	33	48	do	do
6.	Mahnu	32	11	do	do
7.	Pataini	31	5	do	do
8.	Pali	30	152	do	do
9.	Rao	29	49	do	do
10.	Dungsal	28	80	do	do
11.	Laddan	27	44	do	do
12.	Bhayarta	26	226	do	do
13.	Chalki	33	78	do	do
14.	Tamroh Chauntra	22	60	do	do
15.	Tamroh	21	170	do	do
16.	Rora	145	18	do	do

BASANT RAI,
Director.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
BILASPUR DISTRICT

NOTIFICATION

Bilaspur, the 18th/19th July, 1957

No. 26-B-3 (5)/54-II.—Whereas the SAWAN ASHTAMI FAIR is taking place at Nainadeviji Town from the 28th July, to the 3rd August, 1957, and whereas about one lakh pilgrims are expected to assemble;

and whereas I am satisfied that there is a likelihood of the outbreak of epidemic involving danger to human life and health, if stringent measures for sanitation and cleanliness are not taken;

Now, therefore, I, H.R. Mahajan, District Magistrate, Bilaspur in exercise of powers vesting in me under Section 144 Criminal Procedure Code, hereby order that the following acts shall be prohibited within the limit of the mela area which is identical with the area of the Small Town Committee, Shri Nainadevi Ji, namely:—

- (1) Import and sale of mangoes and raw or over-ripe fruits and vegetables.
- (2) Urination or defecation except in public latrines or urinals and the creation of other nuisances.
- (3) Exposure to sale of sweetmeats and other edibles otherwise than in fly proof show cases or under netting.
- (4) Entry of pilgrims not protected by inoculation against Cholera.
- (5) Entry of pilgrims suspected to be suffering from or showing symptoms of influenza such as sudden

high fever, severe headache, aches in the body, sore throat with or without running of nose.

H. R. MAHAJAN,
Deputy Commissioner.

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
CHAMBA DISTRICT

NOTIFICATION

Chamba, the 11th July, 1957

No. E/2104-Panchayats.—In pursuance of Rule 178 (3) of Himachal Pradesh Panchayat Rules, the names of persons elected to Tehsil Panchayats of Chamba District by Tehsil Panchayats Chamba, Bhattiyat, Churah and Sub-Tehsil Panchayats Pangi and Bharmaur as given below are published for the general information of the public:—

Name of Gram Sabha	Name of representative
1	2
Chamba including Sub-Tehsil Bharmaur	
1. Haripur (Serol)	Shri Mool Chand.
2. Baror	„ Beli Ram.
3. Kharot	„ Lakhu.
4. Gehra	„ Soji Ram.
5. Municipality	„ Des Raj Advocate.
6. Kaded	„ Bhagat Ram.
7. Bharian	„ Rijhu Ram.
8. Kiri	„ Narain Singh.
9. Karian	„ Sant Singh.
10. Kakan	„ Sucheta.
11. Saho	„ Sri Singh.
12. Ludu	„ Lakhnu Ram.
13. Bassu	„ Mare Ram.
14. Chhatrari	„ Dumnu Ram.
15. Gun-Belaj	„ Sri Kanth.
16. Samra	„ Jodh Singh.
17. Kalandra	„ Sarban.
18. Pukhri	„ Jawahar Lal.
19. Rajnagar	„ Gurdhan.
20. Sillagharat	„ Nain Sukh.
21. Dhundhi	„ Chet Ram.
22. Chaklu	„ Madho Ram.
23. Tundah	„ Behmi Ram.
24. Holi	„ Sri Ram.
25. Deol	„ Tani Ram.
26. Sach	„ Hoshiara Ram.
27. Udepur	„ Madho Singh.
28. Bhanota	„ Bias Dev.
29. Lih	„ Chuhar.
30. Mehla	„ Punnu Ram.
31. Ranu-Kothi	„ Chand Ram.
32. Bharmaur	„ Parakarmi Ram.
33. Grima	„ Dhani Ram.
34. Chanchta	„ Jhanjan Ram.
35. Pranghala	„ Boota Ram.
Bhatiyat Tehsil	
1. Tundi	Shri Bhuri Singh.
2. Sihunta	„ Singh Ram.
3. Gola	„ Mangat Ram.
4. Chuhn	„ Munshi Ram.
5. Tikri	„ Ishwar Dass.
6. Garnota	„ Jaishi Ram.
7. Samote	„ Uttam Singh.
8. Hathi-dhar	„ Ram Singh.
9. Chowari	„ Maheshwar Singh.
10. Bathri	„ Jagat Ram.
11. Motla	„ Marhatta
12. Dadriara	„ Marhatta Ram s/o Phaincha Ram.
13. Kakira	„ Brij Lal.
14. Naini-khad	„ Dev Raj.
15. Hatli	„ Sohan Singh.
16. Hobar	„ Faqir Chand.

1	2
17. Malunda	Shri Jabar Singh.
18. Raipur	Shri Partap Singh.
19. Kahri	Shri Hoshiar Chand.
20. Banikhet	Shri Hoshira Ram.
21. Migali	Shri Bhagat Ram.
Churah and Pangi Tehsil & Sub-Tehsil respectively	
1. Bhandal	Shri Paras Ram.
2. Kilar	Shri Arjun.
3. Diur	Shri Panchhi Ram.
4. Thalli	Shri Anwar.
5. Sach	Shri Bhagwan Dass.
6. Gualoo	Shri Madho Ram.
7. Singh Dhar	Shri Vaziroo.
8. Ligga	Shri Janta.
9. Kihar	Shri Nanda Ram.
10. Salwan	Shri Mussadi.
11. Sundla	Shri Chiknood.
12. Lahaul	Shri Devia.
13. Dharwas	Shri Tirath Ram.
14. Tissa	Shri Jai Ram.
15. Himgiri Thara	Shri Hira Lal.
16. Bharnauhta	Shri Jai Dayal.
17. Beira	Shri Bir Bal.
18. Sai	Shri Sarban.
19. Kharjota	Shri Tikhna Ram.
20. Banantar	Shri Subaran.
21. Loh-Tikri	Shri Brij Lal.
22. Kohal	Shri Bhagna Ram.
23. Chanju	Shri Prem Gir.
24. Jassor	Shri Shiyama Ram.
25. Bhalei	Shri Parshotam.
26. Salooni	Shri Jit Singh.
27. Thakri	Shri Suchet Ram.
28. Kanger	Shri Fagiru.
29. Bhuned (Bhalog)	Shri Will be published later.

**THAKUR SEN NEGI,
District Magistrate.**

FOREST DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Chopal, the 13th July, 1957

No. 478-G.—In exercise of the powers vested in me under Rule 9 of the Pabbar, Tons and Yamuna River Rules, notified under Himachal Pradesh Government Notification No. Ft. 43-107/49 dated 12th October, 1955, the following rates of fees for launching and floating of timber within the Himachal Pradesh are fixed for the year ending 30th June, 1958:—

- (i) Logs of all kind with a minimum girth of 2 ft.-6 inc. and minimum length of 6 ft. 12 N.P. each
- (ii) Broad gauge sleepers and larger scantlings of all kind. 6 N.P. each
- (iii) Smaller scantlings of all kind, and oars 2 N.P. each
- (iv) Fire wood scarpers 25 N.P. per hundred maund.
- (v) Bamboos 25 N.P. per hundred maund.
- (vi) Quarter rates are to be charged for logs of all kind with a girth of less than 2 ft.-6 inc. and length of more than 6 ft. and also for the logs of less than 6 ft. in length but more than 2 ft.-6 inc. in girth.

R. C. DATTA,
Divisional Forest Officer,
Jubbal Forest Division.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

ORDER

Simla-1, the 23rd July, 1957

No. 3547-61.—So far as the Police Administration is

concerned, Bilaspur District will be converted to a Sub-Division of Mandi District with effect from 1-8-1957. In consequence, the following changes will be made in the Police administration from the same date:—

1. The head of the Police Administration will be an officer of the rank of Dy. S. P., who will be responsible for the day to day administration of the Police force provided for Bilaspur and for all duties connected with the prevention, detection and prosecution of crime in the territory of Bilaspur District under the supervision of the Superintendent of Police, Mandi and subject to the control and guidance, as provided in the Police Rules, of the District Magistrate, Bilaspur.

2. The District C.I.D., the Lines establishment the Prosecution Branch, the Vernacular Office and the Wireless Staff will continue to remain at Bilaspur.

3. The whole of the Accounts Branch and a part of the English Office will be transferred to Mandi and will be amalgamated with the office of Superintendent of Police, Mandi. The officials holding the following posts will be transferred to Mandi:—

(a) *Accounts Branch*.—Accountant one H. C. and Assistant Accountant—one constable.

(b) *English Office*.—Assistant Clerk—one H. C., Record keeper—one H. C. and Typist—one Constable.

4. The following posts will be kept vacant:—

(i) S.I. Head Clerk.

(ii) Stenographer to S. P.

(iii) Bicycle cum office orderly—one Constable.

Orders are being issued separately in respect of the persons holding the posts of Stenographer and Head Clerk. The orderly to be reduced may be absorbed for some other duty.

5. All correspondence with the Inspr. Genl. of Police's office relating to the police administration of Bilaspur District will hereafter be conducted by S.P. Mandi. The Dy. S.P., Bilaspur should make all references to the Superintendent of Police, Mandi instead of to the Inspr. Genl. of Police, Himachal Pradesh's office. The same applies to correspondence with the Administration and other Department of the Administration.

6. Weekly Confidential Diaries will, however, continue to be submitted by the Dy. S.P., Bilaspur direct to the office of the A.I.G., C.I.D. & Hqrs., but he will endorse copies thereof simultaneously to the Superintendent of Police, Mandi. The same applies to Fortnightly Crime Diaries, which will be submitted direct to the Inspr. Genl. of Police, H. P's office by the Dy. S.P., Bilaspur with a copy to the Superintendent of Police, Mandi.

7. The Superintendent of Police, Mandi will exercise close personal supervision on the police work of Bilaspur and will spend at least 7 days every month at the Headquarters or in the interior of Bilaspur District.

8. The same system of day to day administration by the Dy. S.P., Bilaspur and supervision by the Suptd. of Police, Mandi will apply to the R.T.C. at Bilaspur.

9. All the records of the Accounts Branch, all Character Rolls and all administrative records of the English Office will be transferred to the office of Suptd. of Police, Mandi.

10. All periodical statements and returns furnished by Suptd. of Police, Mandi will hereafter include information in respect of Bilaspur District also and no separate returns will be furnished to the Inspr. Genl. of Police's office by the latter District.

A. GUPTA, I.P.,
Inspector General of Police.

भाग 3—वैधानिक नियम तथा हिमाचल प्रदेश के उपराज्यपाल, जुडिशल कमिशनरज कोर्ट, फाइनेन्शल कमिशनर, कमिशनर आफ इन्कम टैक्स द्वारा अधिसूचित आदेश इत्यादि।

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INCOME-TAX, PUNJAB, JAMMU AND KASHMIR AND HIMACHAL PRADESH

NOTIFICATION

Simla, the 13th July, 1957

No. K-1 (11) Admn./57/294.—It is hereby notified that the following Income-tax Circles are abolished with effect from 20th of July, 1957 and that the Income-tax Officers who are presently holding charges of these circles will relinquish the same with effect from the said date:—

- (1) Special Survey Circle, Patiala.
- (2) Special Survey Circle, Amritsar.

- (3) Survey Circle, Srinagar.
2. Further, with effect from the said date any reference to any of the aforesaid circles in any of the existing Jurisdiction orders/notifications etc., issued by the Commissioner of Income-tax, Simla, shall become ineffective, and jurisdiction over persons or classes of persons, incomes or classes of incomes and areas which are/were being assessed in any of the aforesaid circles, will pass to the Income-tax Officers having jurisdiction over such cases according to Section 64 of the Indian Income-tax Act of 1922 read with orders under section 5 (5) of the said Act issued by the Commissioner of Income-tax, Simla.

W. K. GHARPUREY,
Commissioner of Income-tax.

भाग 4—स्थानीय स्वायत्र शासन: म्युनिसिपल बोर्ड, डिस्ट्रिक्ट बोर्ड, नोटीफाइड और टाउन एसिया तथा पंचायत विभाग।

LOCAL SELF DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Simla-4, the 22nd July, 1957

No. L. 58-7/50-II.—The following bye-laws made by the Municipal Committee, Mandi, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 188 (b), 198 (c) (i) and 199 of the Punjab Municipal Act, 1911 as applied to Himachal Pradesh and confirmed by the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh as required by section 201 (1) of the said act, are hereby, published for general information and will come into force within the limits of Mandi Municipality in the Mandi District from the date of issue of this Notification.

JOB PORTERS BYE-LAWS

1. For the purpose of these bye-laws a job porter shall be deemed to be a person working by the job or for a period not exceeding 24 hours at a time.

2. Every job porter shall take out a licence from the Committee and no person shall work or ply for hire as a job porter without having taken out such licence for which no charge will be made.

Provided that the provisions of this bye-law shall not apply to any job prior who is hired outside the Municipality and performs a portion of the work imposed by such hiring within Municipal limits, if the period of

performance of work in the Municipality does not exceed twenty-four hours.

3. Such licenses shall be issued by the Secretary.
4. The year during which the licence shall extend shall commence on the sixteenth day of March, of each year, and every licence granted on any date within that year shall, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, remain in force until for the period specified thereon.
5. Every licence granted by the Committee shall be in form "A" appended to these bye-laws.
6. Every licence shall bear the date on which the same is granted and shall be revocable upon a second conviction for the breach of any of these bye-laws.
7. The Officer authorised to issue licenses shall, at the time of issuing the license to any job porter, deliver to him a metal badge, upon which shall be marked or engraved a number corresponding with the number of such license. A charge of four annas will be made for this badge.

8. Every job porter to whom such badge is delivered shall at all times while waiting for hire, or during the performance of this duties as such job porter or while attending before any magistrate, carry such badge exposed to view.

9. (1) In the absence of any special contract to the contrary the following shall be the rates of hire (or as may be amended by the Municipal Committee from time to time) and no higher or lower rates shall be charged than those contained in the schedule hereunder:—

<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Medium Ends</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Rate per cooli</i>
1. Ground Sunken-garden, Seri or Motor-Adda.		near the house of M. Natha Singh, near the house of M. Udhram Singh, Dibha Bowali & Shiva Bowali.	One Md. Luggage of every type i/c bed & boxes etc. at 25 seers to 1 Md.	2 annas per md.
2.	do	Khaliar, Purani Mandi, Math-Chothwari, Boarding-House Jail & Jail road-coloney, Magwin upto the House of Mistri, Devirup, Panchvaktra Mandir via. Padal and Gurdwara.	do	4 annas per md.
3. Motor Adda or nearest cement Store.		Medium ends.	One bag of cement	2 annas per bag.
4.	do	Extreme ends.	do	3 annas per bag.
5. (a) Khaliar timber Depot.		Beasa Mills.	One timber of any size	5 annas per timber
(b) do		Samkhatar pipal tree.	do	6 annas per timber.
(c) do		Beyond it pipal tree.	do	8 annas per timber.

Explanation.— These rates apply to packages not exceeding five maunds in weight. Conveyance for packages exceeding this weight should be arranged for by private contract. Package weighing between 25 seers and one Maunds shall be considered as a whole maund.

9. (2) Job porter engaged by time shall be by special contract.

*Note.—*A table of the rates of hire, legibly written or printed in English and Hindi shall be affixed in some conspicuous place within the limits of the Municipality,

and a copy of the same, or such portion thereof as may be deemed sufficient shall be given to every job porter at the time of registration.

10. No Job porter shall carry at any time a load exceeding 20 seers in weight unless he has been certified as physically fit by the Licensing Authority and the fact of his physically fitness is recorded in his licence. The maximum load a job porter certified to be physically fit may carry at any time shall not exceed 1½ maunds in weight.

11. Every licensed job porter shall be entitled to receive payment for his hiring, in accordance with the rates specified in by-law 9.

Provided that nothing contained in these bye-laws shall prevent any such job porter from being bound by any contract into which he may enter to receive payment at a rate lower than that fixed by such order.

12. No job porter shall, without reasonable excuse, refuse to accept hire at the rate fixed for such hiring;

or shall desert from his hiring before being discharged there from.

or demand more than the proper rate fixed for such hiring;

or be drunk or make use of insulting or abusive language during the period of, or while waiting for, such hiring;

or wrongfully prevent, or endeavour to prevent, any other porter from being hired;

or fail to produce his license and table of rates, when required to do so.

13. No person shall work as a job porter without being duly registered and licensed, and no job porter, having a license in force, shall transfer or lend the same or allow the same to be used by any other person.

14. Whenever the writing on any badge is obliterated or defaced, so as to make it not distinctly legible, the job porter holding the badge shall deliver such badge to the licensing officer or, when it is proved to the satisfaction of the aforesaid officer that a badge has been lost or mislaid by a job porter, the porter shall produce his license to the licensing officer, and shall then be entitled to receive a new badge upon payment of an amount not exceeding four annas.

15. Upon the expiration, or otherwise sooner termination of any license granted to a job porter under these bye-laws, such job porter shall deliver up such license and the badge relating thereto (the cost of which shall

be refunded) to the Secretary and no such job porter after such expiration or termination, as aforesaid shall wear his badge as hereinbefore provided, or shall willfully neglect for one week to deliver the same to the said officer, and no job porter shall use or wear or detain any badge, which shall have ceased to be in force or other than such as shall have been delivered to him under the provisions of this Act.

16. Every job porter who shall be in possession of any lost or unclaimed property shall within twenty four hours carry such property if not sooner claimed by the owner thereof, to the nearest police station, and shall there deposit it with the sub-inspector or other police officer on duty.

17. Whenever any porter shall be summoned to appear before any Magistrate to answer any charge preferred against him under these bye-laws he shall carry with him his license and produce the same, if required so to do and no porter shall on such requisition fail, without reasonable cause, to produce such licence.

18. Any person who commits a breach of bye-laws, 2, 8, 10, 12 to 17 and any person who abets a breach of bye-law 10 shall, on conviction by a magistrate, be punishable with fine which may extend to fifty rupees, and if the breach is a continuing breach with a further fine which may extend to five rupees for every day after the first during which the breach continues.

FORM A.

Book No. Mandi Municipality.
No. Dated the 195 is authorised to work as a job porter within the Municipality from the day of 195 to the day of 195

DESCRIPTION OF LICENSE

Name.	Father's Name	Caste	Trade	Address	Remarks
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Signature of Licensing Officer.

By order,
HARBANS SINGH,
Assistant Secretary.

भाग 5—वैयक्तिक अधिसूचनाएँ और विज्ञापन ।

FORM LR III

Notice under Rule 4 (I) of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Rules, 1955
Before the Compensation Officer, Bilaspur District, Himachal Pradesh.

In the matter of Shri Sadhu s/o Kapoor, caste Brahman R/o Shamlata, Pargana Geharwin, Tehsil Ghumarwin District Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh ..(Tenant).

versus

Shri Jhager Nathu, Ramjee s/o Rawlu, caste Brahman R/o Bilaspur, Pargana Sadar, District Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh ..(Landowners).

To

All persons concerned.

Whereas Shri Sadhu etc., (Tenant) has applied under Sub-Section (I) of Section II of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Act, 1953, for grant of proprietary rights in the land of his tenancy measuring 24 Big 2 Bis. (as entered in the Revenue Records) situate in village Khungan, Pargana Suhunan, Tehsil Ghumarwin, District Bilaspur in the ownership of Shri Jhager Nathu etc. (Landowners).

And whereas a sum of Rs. 682.56 N.P. is proposed to be allowed as compensation to be paid by the said Shri Sadhu (Tenant) to the said Shri Jhager Nathu etc. (Landowner) for extinction of the rights, title and

interests of the said landowner in the land described above.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of Rule 4 (I) of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Rules, 1955, it is hereby notified for information of all persons concerned that objections in regard to the assessment of the said amount of Rs. 682.56 N.P. as compensation, shall be received by the undersigned by 20-8-1957 (date). Any persons having any objection to make in the matter, may do so in writing addressed to the undersigned on or before the date specified above whereafter no objection shall be received.

Given under my hand, and seal, this 12th day of July, 1957.

Seal.

JAIPAL SINGH.
Compensation Officer.

FORM LR III

Notice under Rule 4 (I) of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Rules, 1955
Before the Compensation Officer, Bilaspur District, Himachal Pradesh.

In the matter of Shri Kirpa, Behsan Deutt s/o Pooran, caste Brahman R/o Soee, Pargana Tieun, Tehsil Ghumarwin, District Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh (Tenants).

Versus

Shri Tample of Baba Lakhbir R/o Khungan, Pargana Suhani, Tehsil Ghumarwin, District Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh (Landowner).

To

All persons concerned.

Whereas Shri Kirpa etc. (Tenants) have applied under Sub-Section (1) of Section 11 of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Act, 1953, for grant of proprietary rights in the land of his tenancy measuring 27 Big. 18 Bis. (as entered in the Revenue Records) situate in village Khungan, Pargana Suhani, Tehsil Ghumarwin, District Bilaspur in the ownership of Shri Tample Baba Lakhbir (Landowner).

And whereas a sum of Rs. 854.88 N.P. is proposed to be allowed as compensation to be paid by the said Shri Kirpa etc. (Tenants) to the said Shri Tample Baba Lakhbir (Landowner) for extinction of the rights, title and interests of the said landowner in the land described above.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of Rule 4 (1) of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Rules, 1955, it is hereby notified for information of all persons concerned that objections in regard to the assessment of the said amount of Rs. 854.88 N.P. as compensation, shall be received by the undersigned by 16-8-1957 (date). Any persons having any objection to make in the matter, may do so in writing addressed to the undersigned on or before the date specified above whereafter no objection shall be received.

Given under my hand, and seal, this 12th day of July, 1957.

JAIPAL SINGH.
Compensation Officer.

Seal.

FORM LR III

Notice under Rule 4 (1) of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Rules, 1955
Before the Compensation Officer, Bilaspur District, Himachal Pradesh.

In the matter of Shri Titu, Chhawderi, Shantu ss/o Nhuda, caste Rajput, R/o Bhaderoge, Pargana Tieun, Tehsil Ghumarwin, District Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh (Tenants).

Versus

Shri Sohan Singh ss/o Mangal Singh, Amar Singh, Babu Ram, Bhudi Singh ss/o Bhaksi Ram, caste Rajput, R/o Bhaderoge, Pargana Teuni, Tehsil Ghumarwin, District Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh (Landowners).

To

All persons concerned.

Whereas Shri Titu etc. (Tenants) have applied under Sub-Section (1) of Section 11 of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Act, 1953, for grant of proprietary rights in the land of his tenancy measuring 56 Big. 11 Bis. (as entered in the Revenue Records) situate in village Bhaderoge, Pargana Tieun, Tehsil Ghumarwin, District Bilaspur in the ownership of Shri Sohan Singh etc. (Landowners).

And whereas a sum of Rs. 907.50 N.P. is proposed to be allowed as compensation to be paid by the said Shri Titu etc. (Tenants) to the said Shri Sohan Singh etc. (Landowners) for extinction of the rights, title and interests of the said landowners in the land described above.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of Rule 4 (1) of the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Big Landed Estates and Land Reforms Rules, 1955, it is hereby notified for information of all persons concerned that objections in regard to the assessment of the said amount of Rs. 907.50 N.P. as compensation, shall be received by the undersigned by 29-8-1957 (date). Any persons having any objection to make in the matter, may do so in writing addressed to the undersigned on or before the date specified above whereafter no objection shall be received.

Given under my hand, and seal, this 12th day of July, 1957.

JAIPAL SINGH.
Compensation Officer.

विज्ञापन अदालत श्री नरबीर सिंह साहिब, A.C. II

Grade, तहसील सदर, जिला मंडी, हिमाचल प्रदेश

मुकदमा नम्बर १२ भरजुआ ४५-५७

श्री बालक सिंह, सुपुत्र ज्वाहर सिंह, जात राजपूत, निवासी नगर
मंडी...वादी

बनाम

श्री भेमा सिंह सुपुत्र जीवा सिंह, उपनाम ज्वाहर सिंह, ठाकर सिंह
सुपुत्र अतर सिंह, जात सिंह, सकन सकरोहा, इलाका बलह, तहसील
सदर...प्रतिवादीएण।

दावा पैदावार बतोर वासालत हस्त दफा ३०

एफ नं० १५ अज फसल रवी १६५५ ता

फलस खरीफ १६५६ मालियत ५० रुपये

मुकदमा अनवास मुन्दरजा बाला में प्रतिवादी नं० १ के नाम
समनात जारी किये गये परन्तु रिपोर्ट तामील कृनिन्दा यही आती रही
है कि प्रतिवादी मजकूर वर पर दस्तयाब नहीं हुआ लिहाजा प्रति-
वादी नं० १ मजकुरिया को बजरिया विज्ञापन हजा सूचित किया जाता
है कि वह तारीख मुकदमा ८-८-१६५७ को असालतन या वकालतन
हाजिर हो कर ज्वाब देही मुकदमा करे बसूरल दीगर कारबाई एक
तरफा अमल में लाइ जा कर फैसला मुकदमा किया जावेगा।

आज तिथि १२ मास ७ सन् १६५७ को हमारे हस्ताक्षर व मोहर
अदालत के जारी हुआ।

नरबीर सिंह,
एसिस्टेंट कॉर्टर।

इश्तहार जेर आर्डर ५ रुल २० C.P.C.

बअदालत श्री बन्सीधर, M.A., LL.B., सीनियर सब जज

मंडी, हिमाचल प्रदेश

मिं० नं० १ दीवानी मरजुआ २-१-५७

अछुक पुत्र बली राम, जाति ब्राह्मण, सकना बिडी, इलाका अन्तपुर
तहसील सरकाराठ...वादी।

बनाम

सखरणु, पुत्र रोलही, जाति चमार, सकना पिपली बलह, इलाका
अन्तपुर हाल बारद मौजया नौगी चैलटिबा, तहसील चैलटिबा, जिला
कन्डाघाट, पंजाब व भादूर पुत्र रोलही चमार, सकना पिपली बहल,
इलाका अन्तपुर...प्रतिवादीएण।

दावा दिवानी मु० ६५० ब्राये तमसक

बनाम—सररणु पुत्र रोलही, जाति चमार, सकना पिपली, बलह,
इलाका अन्तपुर हाल बारद मौजया नौगी चैलटिबा, तहसील चैलटिबा,
जिला कन्डाघाट, पंजाब, प्रतिवादी।

मुकदमा मुन्दरजा बाला की तारीख पेशी अदालत हजा में
८-८-५७ को मुकर्रे है इस में मुदाला सरवरणु पर मामूली तरीका
से तामील समन होनी मुशकल है इस लिये मुदाला मजकूर की बजरिया
इश्तहार हजा मुत्तलाह किया जाता है कि वह तारीख
पेशी पर असालतन या वकालतन हाजिर हो कर मुकदमा की पैरवी क
ज्वाब देही करे वरना उस के खलाक कारबाई येकतरफा का हुक्म
दिया जावे गा। १७-७-५७।

बन्सी धर शर्मा,
सीनियर सब जज।

इश्तहार जेर आर्डर ५ रुल २०

बअदालत श्री बन्सीधर शर्मा, M.A., LL.B., सीनियर सब जज

मंडी, हिमाचल प्रदेश

मिं० नं० ६८ दीवानी

मानीगराम सुपुत्र नकबीन्ह, जाति सूद, सकना मनयाडा, तहसील
पालमपुर, जिला कांगड़ा धाट हालवारद खास जोगिन्दर नगर...वादी।

बनाम

श्री भाग मल सुपुत्र सोहनु मल वडे पाल सुपुत्र भाग मल, जाति
मूद सकना गुमां खास इलाका गुमां थाना तहसील जोगिन्दर नगर...प्रतिवादीएण।

दावा दिवानी मु० १२६४-८, रुपये ब्राये प्रोनोट

बनाम—वडे पाल पुत्र भाग मल, जाति दस, सकना गुमां खास,
इलाका गुमां थाना, तहसील जोगिन्दर नगर...प्रतिवादी।

मुकदमा मुन्दरजा बाला की तारीख पेशी अदालत हजा में
८-८-५७ को मुकर्रे है इस में मुसम्मी वडे पाल मुदाला पर मामूली
तरीका से तामील समन होनी मुशकल है इस लिये मुदाला

Seal.

मजकुर को बजारिया सुन्तला इस्तहार हजार किया जाता है कि वह तारीख मुकर्रर पर असालतन या बकालतन हाजर हो कर मुकदमा की पंरवी व ज्वाब देही करे वरना उस के खलाफ कारबाई यक तरफा का हुक्म दिया जावे गा। १७-७-५७

बन्धी धर शर्मा,
सीनियर सब-जज।

मुद्रा

व अदालत श्री ए० एस० भट्टनागर, बी० ए०, एन एल० बी०,
सीनियर सब जज, बिलासपुर, हिमाचल प्रदेश।

इस्तहार जेर O. 5, R. 20, C.P.C.

मि० न० 512/1 मुतदायरा 5-9-1956

श्री राम पुत्र निरंजन, जात जरगर, व पोलो वर्गेरा, स० गलासी,
परगना तीयून ..वादीगण।

बनाम

लक्ष्मण पुत्र गुरदिता व प्रभु वर्गेरा, जात ब्राह्मण, सकना
कोठी, परगना तीयूनप्रतिवादीगण।

"दावा दखलयावी अराजी ५ बीचे १४ विस्ते"
वाच्य मौजा गलासी, परगना तीयून।

बनाम—६० मु० कौता देवा सन्त् ६१/११ पोहलो वल्द सावृ,
जात ब्राह्मण, सकना टिकरी, परगना तीयूनप्रतिवादीगण।

जूँकि मुकदमा मुदर्जा अनवान बाला में उपरोक्त प्रतिवादीगण
तामील समनात से दीदादानिस्ता गेज़ कर्ते और रु. ३० पोश हैं। अतः
इस्तहार जेर O. 5, R. 20, C.P.C. बनाम उपरोक्त प्रतिवादीगण
जारी किया जाता है कि यदि उपरोक्त प्रतिवादीगण तिथि
21-८-1957 को व मुकाम बिलासपुर बाला हाजर अदालत नहीं
होंगे तो उनकी निस्वत्न कारबाई यकनर्फ़ अमल में लाई
जावेगी।

आज तिथि 17-७-1957 को बमवत हस्ताक्षर मेरे व मुद्रा
न्यायालय से जारी किया गया।

ए० एस० भट्टनागर,
सीनियर सब-जज।

भाग ६—भारतीय राजपत्र इत्यादि में से पुनः प्रकाशन।

शून्य

भाग ७—भारतीय निर्वाचन-आयोग (Election Commission of India) की वैधानिक अधिसूचनाएँ तथा अन्य निर्वाचन सम्बन्धी अधिसूचनाएँ।

शून्य

अनुपूरक

(देखिए पृष्ठ ५३४ से ५३७)

Late Received

PART 1

him under clause 4 of the Inter-Zonal Wheat Movement Control Order, 1957, the Lieutenant Governor, Himachal Pradesh, is pleased to authorise the following Officers of this Administration to exercise the powers under clause 4 of the said order:—

- (1) The Director of Civil Supplies, Himachal Pradesh.
- (2) The Deputy Registrar, Co-operative Societies, Himachal Pradesh.
- (3) All Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.
- (4) All District Co-operative and Supplies Officers in Himachal Pradesh.
- (5) All Inspectors, Co-operative and Supplies in Himachal Pradesh.

By order,
P. C. SAXENA,
Secretary.

APPOINTMENTS DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Simla-4, the 23rd July, 1957

No. Apptt. 4-4/55.—During the period of his suspension
Shri Vidyा Sagar Sharma, Magistrate 1st Class, Himachal
Pradesh, will remain attached with the Appointment
and Secretariat Administration Department instead of
Co-operative and Panchayat Department as previously
decided.

K. N. CHANNA, I.A.S.,
Chief Secretary.

CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Simla-4, the 23rd July, 1957

No. CS. 5-3/57.—In exercise of the powers vested in

DIRECTORATE OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS

BULLETIN OF AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES IN HIMACHAL PRADESH

No. DES. 117-89/56-IX.

Simla, Wednesday, the 24th July, 1957

No. 2. A-B.

All prices in rupees per standard maund of 82-2/7 lbs. (equivalent to 3,200 tolas).

Commodity Centre 1	Prices on		Commodity Centre 1	Prices on	
	5-7-57 2	12-7-57 3		5-7-57 2	12-7-57 3
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
A. FOOD GRAINS:					
1. WHEAT (Ordinary)					
Per Maund—					
Kasumpti	.. N.R.	N.T.	Rampur	..	N.R.
Theog	.. N.R.	17.00	Mandi	..	N.R.
Rampur	.. N.R.	20.00	Nahan	..	N.Q.
Solan	.. N.R.	14.00	Paonta	..	14.00
Chamba	.. 17.37	17.37	Average	..	14.00
Chowari	.. 14.00	14.00			13.87
Nahan	.. 15.00	14.50			
Paonta	.. 15.00	N.R.			
Mandi	.. N.R.	16.50			
Jogindernagar	.. N.R.	18.00			
Bilaspur	.. N.R.	16.42			
Average	.. 15.34				
2. PADDY (Medium)					
Per Maund—					
Rampur	.. N.R.	20.50	Chamba	..	19.00
Nahan	.. 13.00	12.00	Kasumpti	..	N.R.
Paonta	.. 11.00	N.R.	Rampur	..	N.R.
Rainka	.. N.R.	N.T.	Mandi	..	N.R.
Chamba	.. N.R.	N.T.	Nahan	..	N.T.
Chowari	.. N.R.	18.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.
Mandi	.. N.R.	N.T.	Average	..	19.00
Sundernagar	.. N.R.	N.T.			19.45
Average	.. 12.00	16.83			
3. RICE (Course)					
Per Maund—					
Kasumpti	.. N.R.	28.00			
Theog	.. N.R.	27.00			
Rampur	.. N.R.	32.50			
Nahan	.. 23.00	23.00			
Paonta	.. 18.00	N.R.			
Rainka	.. N.R.	N.T.			
Chamba	.. 26.00	26.00			
Mandi	.. N.R.	26.50			
Sundernagar	.. N.R.	22.00			
Average	.. 22.33	26.42			
4. GRAM (Small and Red Variety) Per Maund—					
Kasumpti	.. N.R.	15.00			
Rampur	.. N.R.	19.00			
Nahan	.. 11.75	11.50			
Paonta	.. 12.00	N.R.			
Chamba	.. 15.00	15.00			
Chowari	.. 15.00	N.T.			
Mandi	.. N.R.	14.00			
Bilaspur	.. N.R.	15.00			
Sundernagar	.. N.R.	11.00			
Average	.. 17.92	14.36			
5. BARLEY Per Maund—					
Rampur	.. N.R.	12.50			
Chamba	.. N.T.	N.T.			
Nahan	.. 10.00	12.00			
Mandi	.. N.R.	12.00			
Sundernagar	.. N.R.	N.T.			
Average	.. 10.00	12.17			
6. MAIZE (Red) Per Maund—					
Kasumpti	.. N.R.	N.T.			
Theog	.. N.R.	13.00			
B. FOODGRAIN PRODUCTS AND PULSES:					
7. WHEAT ATTA (Water turbine made)					
Per Maund—					
Chamba	..	19.00			
Kasumpti	..	N.R.			
Rampur	..	N.R.			
Mandi	..	N.R.			
Nahan	..	N.T.			
Bilaspur	..	N.R.			
Average	..	19.00			
8. GRAM DAL Per Maund—					
Bilaspur	..	N.R.			
Chamba	..	17.50			
Chowari	..	N.Q.			
Kasumpti	..	N.R.			
Rampur	..	N.R.			
Mandi	..	N.R.			
Nahan	..	15.00			
Sundernagar	..	N.R.			
Average	..	16.25			
9. MOONG (Whole) Per Maund—					
Bilaspur	..	N.R.			
Chamba	..	22.00			
Kasumpti	..	N.R.			
Theog	..	N.R.			
Rampur	..	N.R.			
Mandi	..	N.R.			
Nahan	..	19.50			
Paonta	..	20.00			
Average	..	20.50			
9A. MOONG DAL (Split & Washed) Per Maund—					
Bilaspur	..	N.R.			
Chamba	..	26.00			
Kasumpti	..	N.R.			
Theog	..	N.R.			
Rampur	..	N.R.			
Mandi	..	N.R.			
Nahan	..	21.00			
Average	..	23.50			
10. MASH (Whole) Per Maund—					
Bilaspur	..	N.R.			
Chamba	..	26.00			
Kasumpti	..	N.R.			
Theog	..	N.R.			
Rampur	..	N.R.			
Mandi	..	N.R.			
Nahan	..	23.00			
Paonta	..	N.Q.			
Average	..	24.50			

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10A. MASH DAL (Split and Washed) Per Maund—		Rs.	Rs.	Nahan		Rs.	Rs.																																																																																																												
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	35.00	Mandi	..	15.00	N.T.																																																																																																												
Chamba	..	34.00	34.00	Average	..	N.R.	40.00																																																																																																												
Kasumpti	..	N.R.	35.00		..	15.00	40.00																																																																																																												
Theog	..	N.R.	27.50	D. PROVISIONS:																																																																																																															
Mandi	..	N.R.	30.00	17. GUR (Sort II) Per Maund—																																																																																																															
Nahan	..	25.50	26.00	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	16.00																																																																																																												
Average	..	29.75	31.25	Theog	..	N.R.	16.00																																																																																																												
11. MASURE (Whole) Per Maund—				Mandi	..	N.R.	16.00																																																																																																												
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	25.00	Chamba	..	18.00	19.00																																																																																																												
Chamba	..	N.Q.	24.00	Nahan	..	13.00	15.50																																																																																																												
Kasumpti	..	N.R.	25.00	Paonta	..	18.00	N.R.																																																																																																												
Rampur	..	N.R.	16.00	Average	..	16.33	16.50																																																																																																												
Theog	..	N.R.	15.00	18. GHEE (Pure Desi) Per Maund—																																																																																																															
Mandi	..	N.R.	15.00	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	220.00																																																																																																												
Nahan	..	15.00	14.00	Mandi	..	N.R.	200.00																																																																																																												
Average	..	15.00	19.14	Chamba	..	205.00	200.00																																																																																																												
C. VEGETABLES AND SPICES:				Nahan	..	200.00	200.00																																																																																																												
12. POTATOES (Special) Per Maund—				Bilaspur	..	N.R.	220.00																																																																																																												
Sarahan	..	N.R.	8.00	Average	..	202.50	208.00																																																																																																												
Nahan	..	N.Q.	N.T.	19. TOBACCO (Country leaf) Per Maund—																																																																																																															
Paonta	..	14.00	N.R.	Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.																																																																																																												
Mandi	..	N.R.	8.50	Solan	..	N.R.	60.00																																																																																																												
Theog	..	N.R.	12.00	Sarahan	..	N.R.	60.00																																																																																																												
Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.	Average	..	—	60.00																																																																																																												
Average	..	14.00	9.50	20. SALT (Sambar Salt) Per Maund—																																																																																																															
12A. POTATOES (Phul) Per Maund—				Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.																																																																																																												
Sarahan	..	N.R.	6.00	Mandi	..	N.R.	4.00																																																																																																												
Nahan	..	9.50	12.00	Chamba	..	5.00	5.00																																																																																																												
Paonta	..	N.Q.	N.R.	Nahan	..	3.19	3.19																																																																																																												
Mandi	..	N.R.	8.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	4.50																																																																																																												
Theog	..	N.R.	10.00	Average	..	4.09	4.17																																																																																																												
Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.	20A. SALT (Rock Salt) per Maund—																																																																																																															
Average	..	9.50	9.00	Mandi	..	N.R.	3.50																																																																																																												
13. ONIONS (Dry) Per Maund—				Average	..	—	3.50																																																																																																												
Chamba	..	9.00	9.00	21. EGGS (of hen) Per Dozen—																																																																																																															
Kasumpti	..	N.R.	10.00	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	2.25																																																																																																												
Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.	Theog	..	N.R.	2.25																																																																																																												
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Paonta	..	8.00	N.R.	Nahan	..	1.50	1.50																																																																																																												
Average	..	7.66	8.81	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	N.T.																																																																																																												
14. CHILLIES (Dry Dandicut) Per Maund—				Kasumpti	..	130.00		Average	..	1.50	2.10	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	120.00	22. MILK COW (Un-boiled) Per Seer—				Rampur	..	N.R.	90.00	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.	Mandi	..	N.R.	100.00	Theog	..	N.R.	0.75	Nahan	..	100.00	120.00	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Average	..	100.00	115.00	Mandi	..	N.R.	0.50	15. TURMERIC (Haldi) Powdered Per Maund—				Chamba	..	0.62	0.62	Chamba	..	50.00	50.00	Nahan	..	0.50	0.50	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	40.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Mandi	..	N.R.	50.00	Average	..	0.56	0.58	Nahan	..	60.00	45.00	23. MEAT (Goat) Per Seer—				Average	..	55.00	46.25	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	16. GINGER (Adrak) Per Maund—				Mandi	..	N.R.	1.75	Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	Chamba	..	1.50	1.50
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15. TURMERIC (Haldi) Powdered Per Maund—				Chamba	..	0.62	0.62																																																																																																												
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Average	..	55.00	46.25	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.																																																																																																												
16. GINGER (Adrak) Per Maund—				Mandi	..	N.R.	1.75																																																																																																												
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	Chamba	..	1.50	1.50																																																																																																												

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1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2
		Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.
24. TEA (Lipton) Per lb.—				Sundernagar	..	N.R.	10.00
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Average	..	—	10.00
Mandi	..	N.R.	2.75	31. WHEAT STRAW Per Maund—			
Chamba	..	2.48	2.48	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.
Nahan	..	2.62	2.62	Mandi	..	N.R.	N.T.
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	2.50	Nahan	..	N.Q.	N.T.
Average	..	2.55	2.57	Average	..	—	—
E. OILS AND OIL SEEDS:				32. PADDY BRAN Per Maund—			
25. SARSON SEED (White) Per Maund—				Mandi	..	N.R.	N.T.
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Paonta	..	N.R.	N.R.
Mandi	..	N.R.	35.00	Sundernagar	..	N.R.	3.00
Jogindernagar	..	N.R.	N.R.	Average	..	N.R.	3.00
Chamba	..	26.00	26.00	G. INDUSTRIAL RAW MATERIALS:			
Nahan	..	N.Q.	N.T.	33. COW HIDES (Dry Country) Per Maund—			
Average	..	26.00	30.50	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
25A. SARSON SEED (Yellow) Per Maund—				Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.
Rampur	..	N.R.	20.00	Chamba	..	N.R.	N.T.
Mandi	..	N.R.	32.00	Average	..	—	—
Jogindernagar	..	N.R.	N.R.	34. SHEEP SKINS (Raw) Per lb.—			
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Nahan	..	31.00	32.00	Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.
Average	..	31.00	28.00	Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.
26. GROUND NUT (Unshelled) Per Maund—				Nahan	..	2.75	N.T.
Rampur	..	N.R.	32.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Mandi	..	N.R.	20.00	Average	..	2.75	—
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	34A. GOAT SKINS (Raw) Per lb.—			
Nahan	..	N.T.	N.T.	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Average	..	—	26.00	Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.
27. SARSON OIL (Kohlu extracted) Per Maund—				Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.
Rampur	..	N.R.	95.00	Nahan	..	2.75	N.T.
Mandi	..	N.R.	85.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Chamba	..	95.00	95.00	Average	..	2.75	—
Nahan	..	84.00	85.50	35. COTTON UNGINNED (Desi) Per Maund—			
Average	..	89.50	90.13	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.
F. ANIMAL FEEDS:				Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
28. COTTON SEEDS (Desi Black) Per Maund—				Mandi	..	N.R.	N.T.
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Nahan	..	N.T.	N.T.
Mandi	..	N.R.	16.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	Average	..	—	—
Nahan	..	14.00	14.00	36. COTTON GINNED (Desi) Per Maund—			
Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.
Paonta	..	15.00	N.R.	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	17.50	Mandi	..	N.R.	60.00
Average	..	14.50	15.83	Nahan	..	70.00	70.00
29. SARSON CAKE (Kohlu made) Per Maund—				Bilaspur	..	N.R.	80.00
Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.	Average	..	70.00	70.00
Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.	37. WOOL (Desi) Per Maund—			
Mandi	..	N.R.	20.00	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.
Nahan	..	13.00	14.00	Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.
Paonta	..	16.00	N.R.	Mandi	..	N.R.	N.T.
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Average	..	—	—
Average	..	14.50	17.00	38. TIMBER (Dayar) Per Cubic Foot—			
30. WHEAT BRAN Per Maund—				Mandi	..	N.R.	6.00
Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.	Jogindernagar	..	N.R.	N.R.
Mandi	..	N.R.	10.00	Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.
Nahan	..	N.Q.	N.T.	Nahan	..	N.T.	N.T.
				Average	..	—	6.00

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		5-7-57	12-7-57			5-7-57	12-7-57
1	2	3	1	2	3	Rs.	Rs.
38A. TIMBER (Kail)				43. KEROSENE OIL			
Per Cubic Foot—				(Elephant Brand) tin of 24 Bottles—			
Mandi	..	N.R.	4.50	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Jogindernagar	..	N.R.	N.R.	Mandi	..	N.R.	8.25
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	Chamba	..	9.50	9.50
Nahan	..	N.T.	N.T.	Nahan	..	6.37	6.37
Average	..	—	4.50	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	N.T.
H. MANUFACTURES:				Average	..	7.93	8.04
39. COARSE CLOTH				44. CEMENT Per Bag—			
20 Yards Piece—				Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Mandi	..	N.R.	8.25
Mandi	..	N.R.	15.00	Chamba	..	10.50	10.50
Chamba	..	15.00	15.00	Nahan	..	6.50	7.50
Nahan	..	10.00	15.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	7.87
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	14.00	Average	..	8.50	8.53
Average	..	12.50	14.75	45. PAPER FOOLSCAP			
39A. POPLIN 20 Yards				(10 lbs.) per ream—			
Piece—				Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Mandi	..	N.R.	7.00
Mandi	..	N.R.	40.00	Chamba	..	7.50	9.50
Chamba	..	27.50	27.50	Nahan	..	7.50	7.50
Nahan	..	20.00	30.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	30.00	Average	..	7.50	8.00
Average	..	23.75	31.88	46. WASHING SOAP			
39B. DHOTI Per Pair—				(Desi) Per Maund—			
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	Kasumpti	..	N.R.	55.00
Mandi	..	N.R.	5.00	Theog	..	N.R.	45.00
Chamba	..	7.00	7.00	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Nahan	..	12.00	12.00	Mandi	..	N.R.	50.00
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	12.00	Chamba	..	50.00	50.00
Average	..	9.50	9.00	Nahan	..	40.00	50.00
39C. COTTON YARN				Average	..	45.00	50.00
Per 10 lbs.—				I. MISCELLANEOUS:			
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	47. FIREWOOD Per			
Mandi	..	N.R.	N.T.	Maund—			
Chamba	..	24.00	24.00	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Nahan	..	12.00	12.00	Mandi	..	N.R.	2.00
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	15.00	Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.
Average	..	18.00	17.00	Nahan	..	1.38	1.37
40. GUNNY BAGS (B-				Bilaspur	..	N.R.	2.00
Twills 2½ lb.) Per 100				Average	..	1.38	1.79
Bags—				48. CHARCOAL Per			
Kasumpti	..	N.R.	N.T.	Maund—			
Rampur	..	N.R.	125.00	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Theog	..	N.R.	N.T.	Mandi	..	N.R.	5.00
Mandi	..	N.R.	100.00	Chamba	..	4.00	4.00
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	Nahan	..	3.00	4.50
Nahan	..	140.00	130.00	Bilaspur	..	N.R.	8.00
Paonta	..	137.50	N.R.	Average	..	3.50	5.37
Sarahan	..	N.R.	130.00	49. GOLD Per Tola—			
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	125.00	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Average	..	138.75	122.00	Mandi	..	N.R.	104.00
41. NAILS (Tata) Per				Chamba	..	109.00	109.00
Seer—				Average	..	109.00	106.50
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.	50. SILVER Per 100 Tolas—			
Mandi	..	N.R.	1.69	Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.	Mandi	..	N.R.	175.00
Nahan	..	1.50	1.50	Chamba	..	181.25	181.25
Average	..	1.50	1.59	Average	..	181.25	178.25
42. ROUND IRON							
Per Maund—							
Rampur	..	N.R.	N.T.				
Mandi	..	N.R.	47.25				
Chamba	..	N.T.	N.T.				
Nahan	..	30.00	70.00				
Bilaspur	..	N.R.	35.00				
Average	..	30.00	50.75				

N.A. = Not Available.
N.Q. = Not Quoted.
N.R. = Not Received.
N.T. = No Transaction.